

Core seminar

Wednesday 14th March 2018, 9 am Paris time / 11 am Jeddah time

Dr Antonios Kouroutakis

will present a paper on

Sharia Law in Greece

Greece, officially the Hellenic Republic is a particular case pertaining the state – religion relationship. Although the Constitution of Greece explicitly recognizes as the official religion of the state the Eastern Orthodox Church of Christ, at the same time, Greece is the only country in Europe that recognizes the law of Sharia for its Muslim citizens. This is explained due to its international obligations deriving from the Treaty of Lausanne 1923 which was signed the Ottoman Empire and the Allied French Republic, British Empire, Kingdom of Italy, Empire of Japan, Kingdom of Greece, and the Kingdom of Romania. Quite recently, the Greek Government amended the legal framework making the application of Sharia law voluntary on the agreement of the parties. The aim of this presentation is to explain the status and the scope of Sharia Law within the Greek legal order.

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Antonios Kouroutakis is a lawyer specialised in public law. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Law, from Democritus University of Thrace (Greece), a Master of Laws (LL.M) from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Law School (USA) and a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) from the University of Oxford (UK). He has also taught a variety of law courses and conducted research as a postdoctoral fellow at the City University of Hong Kong (China), at the Free University of Berlin (Germany) and at Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (Greece).

Antonios's research interests lie mainly in the field of constitutional and administrative law. In particular, Antonios is interested in the concept of separation of powers, rule of law, emergency legislation, immigration law and regulation of new technologies; he has published widely on these topics in international and peer reviewed journals, while his work on the constitutional value of sunset clauses and on the constitution of Somalia is cited in numerous reports.