

The Reception of European Community Law in Spain

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Abstract

This article aims to provide an overview of the relationship between Spanish law and European Community (EC) law, as it shows in the Spanish case-law, by examining the legal impact of EC law on the Spanish Constitutional legal order. Since its accession to the European Community in 1986, Spain has progressively adapted to the Community's *Acquis*. In the application of EC law by Spanish judicial bodies, and more specifically, by the superior courts, it is important to consider the relationship between EC law and national law. The author describes and analyses major structuring principles of this relationship, as well as certain legal problems arising in Spain as a result of its EC membership.

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