

# **EBS Law Term Lecture on “Extraterritoriality in Transnational Regulation: The Special Problem of Private Enforcement” on 18 October 2016 at EBS Law School in Wiesbaden**

The Research Center for Transnational Commercial Dispute Resolution at EBS Law School will host a lecture on extraterritoriality in transnational regulation. Professor Dr. Hannah L. Buxbaum, John E. Schiller Chair in Legal Ethics, Maurer School of Law, Indiana University Bloomington, USA, will talk about the special problem of private enforcement in this context.

Background: In 2000, the European Community filed a lawsuit against RJR Nabisco (RJR) in U.S. federal court, alleging violations of the U.S. Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO). In 2016, the litigation came to a close. The Supreme Court held that RICO does apply to certain forms of foreign conduct – however, it concluded that RICO’s private cause of action does not extend to claims based on injuries suffered outside the United States, and therefore denied the European Community any recovery. The effect of this decision, which builds on other recent decisions of the Court, is to constrain quite significantly the application of U.S. regulatory law in cross-border cases.

The talk will explore the extraterritorial application of domestic regulatory law as a tool of transnational regulation. In particular, it will address the special challenges created when it is private plaintiffs, rather than state agencies, that seek to apply that law.

The Lecture will be held on 18 October 2016 at 6.30 p.m. in Lecture Room “Sydney” at EBS Law School in Wiesbaden. For further information see [here](#).

We are looking forward to seeing you.

