Is there a European Union private international law system?" in Lyon, on November 17, 18 and 19, 2021

The Research Center on Private International Law of the University Jean Moulin Lyon III (EDIEC - EA 4185) is organizing a 3-day conference (dir. sc. **Ludovic Pailler** et **Cyril Nourissat**). The ambitious program proposed by the organizers does not only aim to take stock of a vicennial construction of the law of judicial cooperation in civil matters. It should also allow the speakers to assess whether this field of Union law is merely a pile of autonomous texts (at most likely to constitute a few large blocks - family, obligations, etc.) or whether, beyond that, a comprehensive work is taking shape, a true "system" of private international law, in particular thanks to the many judgments handed down by the Court of Justice of the European Union. This event will also be an opportunity to question the necessity of a system of private international law in order to constitute the area of civil justice called for by the European Commission.

In order to take up this major scientific challenge, the colloquium brings together eminent European authors, specialists in Private international law and Union law. Their analysis will be usefully completed by a comparative approach from points of view from outside the Union (China, Maghreb, USA) and by the intervention of practitioners (lawyers, bailiffs, notaries), better able to evaluate the usefulness of a system for their daily work.