

The Economic Freedoms

Module 2

Reading materials

Lectures

- The Free Movement of Capital
- The Free Movement of Services
- The Free Movement of Goods
- The Free Movement of People
- The Right to Establishment
- The Right to Establishment Case Law

Case law

Lecture: Free movement of capital

- C-163/94 Sanz de Lera
 Capital movements Non-member countries National authorization for the transfer of banknotes.
- C-302/97 Konle
- C-370/05 Festersen

Lecture: Free movement of services

- C-33/74 van Binsbergen
 Establishes the direct applicability of the prohibition on discrimination in respect to the provision of services.
- C-55/94 Gebhard
 Establishes the so called Gebhard test, which lays out the criteria that need to be fulfilled in order to permit a restriction of the freedom of movement of services.

Lecture: Free movement of goods

- **C-120/78** Cassis de Dijon Establishes the principle of mutual recognition.
- C-8/74 Dassonville

Establishes that all trading rules enacted by Member States which are capable of hindering, directly or indirectly, actually or potentially, intra-Community trade are to be considered as measures having an effect equivalent to quantitative restrictions.

- **C-249/81** Buy Irish
 - Establishes that state support for campaigns that urge purchasing of domestic goods can constitute an unlawful trade barrier.
- C-265/95 Spanish Strawberry Case
 Establishes that the failure of French authorities to act to protect Spanish lorry drivers from sabotage by local activists constitutes a failure to fulfil its obligations under the under Art 34 TFEU to ensure the free movement of goods.
- C-267/91 Keck
 Establishes the Keck Doctrine, ascertaining that certain nondiscriminatory actions, such as limiting opening hours of stores etc, should not fall within the scope of Art 34 TFEU.

Lecture: Free movement of people

- **C-149/79 –** SNCB
- C-202/90 Ayuntamiento de Sevilla vs. Recaudadores de Tributos de las Zonas primera y segunda
- C-405/01 Colegio de Oficiales de la Marina Marcante Española vs. Administración del Estado
- C-47/02 Albert Anker, Klaas Ras and Albertus Snoek

Lecture: The Right to Establishment

• **C-81/87** – Daily Mail

Establishes that the freedom of establishment does not confer to companies a right to transfer their central management and control to a Member State while retaining its status as incorporated in the home Member State.

• **C-212/97 –** Centros

Establishes that any barriers by the host Member State against companies incorporated in another requiring setting up a secondary establishment there are prohibited.

• **C-208/00 –** Überseering

Establishes the right of a corporation formed in an EU Member State to move its real seat from its state of incorporation to another EU member state without losing its legal status as a corporate entity under the law of its origin state.

• C-167/01 – Inspire Art

Establishes a prohibition on Member States to impose legal obligations on companies that are incorporated in another Member State but conducts their business activities only in another state.

Reaffirms the Überseering ruling.

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In this case, more comparable to Centros, the CJEU decided, once again, in favor of the freedom of establishment.

- C-210/06 Cartesio Reaffirms the Daily Mail ruling.
- **C-378/10 –** Vale