



**“KILLING ME SOFTLY... WITH SOFT LAW. Non-binding acts, judicial review and the limits of the rule of law in European Union Law”**

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**Abstract**

Soft law is becoming a standard practice of the European Union's Institutions. Guidelines, Communications, Recommendations, Opinions, Guidance, Q&As, and many other alternative means of regulation are a daily presence of the legal landscape that put the limits of the EU's legal order to the test. Are these acts reviewable? Are they binding at all? What implications are there for citizens and companies navigating through EU law and invoking it in national courts and administrations? This seminar will approach the current state of EU soft law and the dangers and advantages it poses, focusing on the most recent case-law of the Court of Justice of the EU.

**About the Speaker**

Daniel Sarmiento is Professor of EU Law at the Universidad Complutense of Madrid and Editor-in-Chief of EU Law Live. He is also counsel at the law firm Uría Menéndez in Madrid and from 2007 to 2015 he was a legal secretary at the Court of Justice. He is the author of more than a hundred publications on EU Law, including articles in the Common Market Law Review, the European Law Review and the Revue Trimestrielle de Droit Européen, among others. Since 2019 he is the co-editor of the Yearbook of Procedural Law of the Court of Justice of the European Union, edited by the Max Planck Institute of European and International Procedural Law in Luxembourg. His

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