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Abstract:

This article aims to be a comprehensive presentation of the legal issues related to the French model of civil partnership, „le Pacte civil de solidarité”. It is a detailed study of a singular institution, halfway between marriage and nominate contracts, designed to settle the framework of an interpersonal union.

The introduction presents the historical and legal background within which this institution has been conceived. Subsequently, this article gets through the subject with a chronological approach. Its core starts with an exposition of the formal and material requirements imposed by the law upon parties willing to draft the contract of civil partnership. It is followed by an analysis of the various rights and obligations that arise from the performance of this interpersonal agreement. Eventually, this article provides an analysis of all possibilities which lead to the termination of the civil partnership.