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**Abstract:**

The article presents the long process of codification of private international law in Uruguay. The introduction describes substantial involvement of Uruguay in codification of private international law in the Latin American region. Then the international conventions of Uruguay are enumerated, showing the impact of participation in the regional and international activities aimed to unify private international law. Subsequently there is an overview of the norms of private international law of the so called “Vargas Law” that were introduced to the Civil Code of Uruguay in 1941, provisions related to international procedure of the General Code of Procedure of Uruguay from 1988, and regulations of foreign companies that are contained in the Law on Commercial Companies from 1989. Also the process of drafting an act on private international law is presented explaining its course. This observation is followed by general description of the General Law on Private International Law of Uruguay. The analysis of the norms of the Uruguayan private international law is conducted, with comparative remarks included.