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Abstract:

The present paper has four aims. First of all, to subject the legal powers of the European Union to enact private law rules in the fields of substantive private law, procedural private law and private international law to a doctrinal analysis. Secondly, to analyse the methodology of using those legal powers by the Union legislature and possible indications by the Court of Justice with that regard. Thirdly, to subject the individual rules granting powers to the EU to enact rules of substantive private law, procedural private law and private international law to a comparative analysis. Fourthly, on the basis of the analysis of the hitherto methods of using the aforementioned powers, provide for a critical appraisal and put forward suggestions as to the methods of using them.