

**Practical Aspects Regarding the Role of  
Administrative Law in the Modernization of Public  
Administration**

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### **Activity**

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### **Publications**

Her most important publications are the following books: *The authority of European law. Exploring primacy of EU law and effect of EEA law from European and Icelandic perspectives*, together (co-author Ólafur Ísberg Hannesson), Law Institute, University of Iceland, 2012; *EC and EEA law: A comparative study of the effectiveness of European Law*, Europa Law Publishing, Holland, September 2009; *The solution of cross-border consumer claims: the Achilles' heel of the European Union*, edited by the City of Madrid and the Bar Association of Lawyers of Madrid, Spain, January 2002; *Protection of Consumers in the European Union. Towards a Common Procedural Consumer law*, published by the legal publisher Marcial-Pons, Madrid, Spain, 1998. A full updated list of her most recent publications can be consulted here <https://ugla.hi.is/pub/hi/simaskra/ritaskra/en/3e6a07bcd2b7.pdf>

### **Prizes**

Madrid Regional Government. Comunidad Autonoma de Madrid. Consejería de Economía y Empleo. *Research Prize on Consumer law, 1997.*

“Efecto útil del efecto directo del Derecho Comunitario”. *Primer Premio Antonio Maura de artículos jurídicos, Ilustre Colegio de Abogados de Madrid, 1998.*

“The solution of cross-border consumer claims: the Achilles' heel of the European Union”. *Research prize awarded by the City of Madrid and the Bar of Lawyers of Madrid, 2001.*

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### **Prizes**

Awarded “Prize of the International Nuclear Law Association” in 2009 for his study on options and limits of potential harmonisation of nuclear liability within the European Union. Further, he was awarded a prize of the Union of Corporate Lawyers of the Czech Republic for his achievements in the field of administrative law.

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### **Publications**

Cătălin-Silviu Săraru is the editor of two volumes: *Contemporary Challenges in the Business Law*, ADJURIS – International Academic Publisher, 2016; *Studies of Business Law – Recent Developments and Perspectives*, Peter Lang International Academic Publishers, 2013; 9 books as sole author among which: *Drept administrativ. Probleme fundamentale ale dreptului public (Administrative law. Fundamental issues of public law)*, C.H. Beck Publishing House, Bucharest, 2016, *Legea contenciosului administrativ nr. 554/2004. Examen critic al Deciziilor Curtii Constitutionale (Administrative Litigation Law no. 554/2004. Critical examination of the Constitutional Court Decisions)*, C.H. Beck Publishing House, Bucharest, 2015; *Contractele administrative. Reglementare, doctrină, jurisprudență (Administrative agreements. Regulatory, doctrine, jurisprudence)*, C.H. Beck Publishing House, Bucharest, 2009; 2 books as coauthor among which: *Drept administrativ European (European Administrative Law)*, Lumina Lex Publishing House, Bucharest, 2005; author of over 100 articles published in journals: *Juridical Tribune – Tribuna Juridica*, *Transylvanian Review of Administrative Sciences*, *Acta Juridica Hungarica*, *Dreptul*, *Juridical Current*, *Acta Universitatis Danubius. Juridica*, *Revista de Drept Public*, *Pandectele române*, *Curierul Judiciar*, *Notebooks of international law*, *Tribuna Economică*, *Economie și Administrație locală* etc.

### **Prizes**

"Anibal Teodorescu" Prize awarded by the Union of Jurists of Romania in 2014 for the work „Cartea de contracte administrative – modele, comentarii, explicații” („The Book of administrative contracts - models, comments, explanations”), C.H. Beck Publishing House, Bucharest, 2013.