

## PROBLEMS IN EUROPEAN PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW: AN ENGLISH PERSPECTIVE

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### *Select bibliography and abbreviations:*

Dicey and Morris, *The Conflict of Laws* (13<sup>th</sup> edn, 2000)(Dicey and Morris)(the leading practitioners' work; recommended for reference); Cheshire and North, *Private International Law* (13<sup>th</sup> edn, 1999)(Cheshire and North (the leading student text); Clarkson and Hill, *Jaffey on the Conflict of Laws* (1994)(Jaffey)(a shorter student text); Briggs and Rees, *Civil Jurisdiction and Judgments* (2<sup>nd</sup> edn., 1997)(Briggs and Rees)(a useful guide to matters of practical importance)

### *Core material:*

Cases marked ♦ will be the focus for discussion in each lecture, together with the hypothetical case studies set out below. Those cases given in [brackets] need not be read in detail, although their implications must be known.

### *Themes:*

Problems in European private international law from an English perspective; the approach of the English courts to transnational litigation; issues concerning the interpretation of the Brussels, Lugano and Rome Conventions; the European Conventions and commercial efficacy; the relationship between national law and the Conventions; the private international law framework of European legal integration; proposals to amend the Brussels Convention; problems concerning comity and procedural rights in a European context.