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The Journal's 4th issue of Vol 5 may be regarded as an excellent example of how the global community of legal scholarship keeps moving towards a perspective that eventually allows to cross borderlines of select legal systems. The variety of topics and approaches we find in the current issue as well as the diverse professional background of the authors inevitably calls the reader's attention to problems that arise in a comparable manner against the backdrop of different normative conditions; thus being of the greatest importance to the Journal's endeavour of providing a forum for a most ample discussion of these matters:

Michaela Hailbronner and *Sara Iglesias Sánchez* give a fascinating assessment of the more recent ECJ case law on Union Citizenship, *Tilmann Hoppe* examines how public law in European states could limit criminal immunities for officials, *Sebastian Graf von Kielmansegg* addresses a newly defined relation of German Constitutional Law and European Integration in the Wake of Lisbon, *Lawrence Li* discusses the Dual System of Constitutional Interpretation against the backdrop of problems arising under the China – Hong Kong "one country – two systems" approach, and finally *Zlatan Meškić* and *Nezir Pivić* offer an introduction into federalism in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Ulrike Grieshofer, *Christina Hochhauser*, *Franziska Paefgen*, and *Konrad Lachmayer* contributed to the Developments-Section supervised by *Valerie Trofaier-Leskovar*, focusing on select examples of the Austrian Constitutional Courts' case law on separation of powers.

Finally, the editorial board is glad to have opportunity to publish *Pauline Kienlen's* thoughtful Case Study of the impact of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia on the Reconciliation Process in the Balkans in the Journal's E.MA@ICL section.

We hope the reading of the Journal's current issue proves to be as interesting for you as it was for us.

On behalf of the Editorial Board,
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