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former Deputy Director-General of the Legal Service of the European Commission In the period from 1983 until now, when new life achievements await her, she worked in different legal fields and spent the majority of her career working for the institutions of the EU.

Her experience and the insight open doors into the world where politics and legal rules that dictate actions of the Member States and their citizens are created. Hence, one should not miss the opportunity to listen very carefully to what she has to say.

I think we can say that although EU law does not in any way want to replace all national procedural rules or determine what courts should be competent for what kind of matter it is still the case that the nature of EU law and certain specific rules like the question of judicial independence have nevertheless considerable implications for national justice systems.