CROSS-BORDER MOBILITY OF COMPANIES UNDER THE EUROPEAN UNION AND POLISH LAW

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This doctoral dissertation deals with the issue of the cross-border mobility of companies in the EU and Polish law. The phenomenon of cross-border mobility of companies, as it is most frequently understood in the legal literature, concerns the ability of organized business entities, first, to spread their activities or change their place of business (physical mobility), secondly, to choose and change the law applicable to a given company - *lex societatis* (legal mobility). The purpose of this contribution is to describe and explain issues related to the cross-border mobility of companies, and thus to increase the level of the current state of knowledge in this matter.

The work consists of three main parts, divided into seven chapters. The first chapter aims to clarify the terminological issues and present a definition of key concepts that will be used later in the work. The second chapter presents the institution of a company in the legal and economic perspective and the consequences resulting from this for the mobility of companies. The next chapter includes a historical analysis of events that could be seen as examples of the corporate mobility. The fourth chapter refers to the economic foundations of the company mobility and the consequences of allowing the migration of companies, including in particular, the occurrence of the regulatory competition. In addition, the chapter includes a description of the studies carried out so far and the empirical studies carried out by the author on the corporate mobility in the EU. Finally, general considerations on the risks associated with the mobility of companies for their stakeholders have been presented.

The second part of the study (Chapter V) was devoted to a broad analysis of EU legislation and the jurisprudence of the CJ, which created together a legal framework for the mobility of capital companies in the single market. Following that, the next part (chapters VI and VII) covers the conditions of mobility of capital companies in Poland. Issues related to the concept of the seat under substantive company law and conflicts of laws regarding the determination of the law applicable to companies - lex societatis have been presented therein.

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