ENGLISH LEGAL TERMINOLOGY

MATEJ ACCETTO

Instructions for the Exam on 8 September 2020

[A brief note in Slovenian: Spodaj so navodila za izvedbo izpita – ker cel predmet poteka v angleščini in se lahko izpita udeležijo tudi tuji študenti Erasmus, so tudi navodila v angleščini.]

1) The exam will consist of both a written and an oral part. The written part will be conducted using the Exam.net format. We will start the exam by meeting in the virtual Zoom classroom (login instructions will be provided in due course) to deal with the formalities, including assigning the approximate times for the oral portion of the exam. You will then be provided with a key to use to access the exam on Exam.net.

2) The written exam will consist of two questions, one requiring you to assess a legal situation and one expecting you to provide a brief essay-type response. A word limit will be imposed for the answers. The written exam will be time-limited to 45 minutes and the responses will be automatically submitted after that time – of course, you are permitted to submit your answer at any time prior to that.

3) The questions will not be designed so as to demand a single mathematically correct answer (which could simply be copied from a source), but rather ask you to provide a cogently argued appraisal of the issues and/or the legally relevant facts. The idea is to apply your knowledge of the substance and legal terminology to the questions and provide a clear, well-reasoned response.

4) It should go without saying, but just to stress this point: regardless of the format of the exam used, academic integrity requires you to refrain from discussing any aspect of this exam or your answers with any other person during the examination period. The answers should be your own, and yours alone.

5) The oral portion of the exam may relate to any theme discussed in class and covered by the class materials, including the judicial decisions and the glossary. (With regard to the latter, the terms highlighted in weekly instructions are particularly relevant.) It may also, but will not necessarily, include a discussion of the answers given to the written exam.

6) With the adjustments to the exam due to the special circumstances, additional weight will be given to the oral portion of the exam, so both parts will have a significant bearing on the grade, and each of them should demonstrate sufficient knowledge for a passing grade.

7) Work well, and good luck!