

# LAW & DATA

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# **HIERARCHY OF SOURCES OF EUROPEAN UNION LAW**

## **PRIMARY LAW**

### **INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS**

## **SECONDARY LAW**

## **SUPPLEMENTARY LAW**

**<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/homepage.html>**

# PRIMARY LAW

## ○ **TREATIES**

- **Founding treaties** (establishing EC → EU)
- Amending treaties
- Protocols annexed to Treaties
- **Accession treaties**

## ○ **CHARTER OF FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS**

(since 2009 Lisbon Treaty – same value as Treaties)

## ○ **GENERAL PRINCIPLES ESTABLISHED BY THE ECJ**

# TREATIES

## ○ TREATY ON THE EUROPEAN UNION

- objectives and principles of the EU
- institutions of the EU

## ○ TREATY ON THE FUNCTIONING OF EUROPEAN UNION

- organisational, functional provisions to reach EU objectives
- procedures for the functioning of EU institutions

# ○ TREATY ON THE EUROPEAN UNION

## Art. 2

The Union is founded on the **values** of **respect for human dignity, freedom, democracy, equality, the rule of law and respect for human rights**, including the rights of persons belonging to **minorities**.

These **values are common** to the Member States in a society in which pluralism, non-discrimination, tolerance, justice, solidarity and equality between women and men prevail.