

Heike Schweitzer

We are saddened and mourn the untimely death of the outstanding competition law expert Professor Dr Heike Schweitzer, LL.M. (Yale), who taught at the Humboldt University in Berlin and had a major influence on recent developments in German and European competition law. At the beginning of her academic career, she worked at the Institute for Law and Economics at the University of Hamburg. After completing her doctorate in law, she initially worked for two years as an employee in the Institute's Research Training Group "Law and Economics" and was a research assistant from early 2005 until September 2006, when she was offered a chair at the European University Institute in Florence. She advised the doctoral students in our Research Training Group, about half of whom were economists and half lawyers, and brought with her a remarkable knowledge of economics and the ability to think in both disciplines. In the regular discussions on dissertation projects relating to general civil law, she impressed everyone with her wealth of knowledge, her acumen, her constructive thinking, and her objectivity. She was also very approachable and had an unpretentious manner. As a research assistant, she was also involved in the organisation, teaching and supervision of master theses for the "European Master in Law and Economics" and made a major contribution to the development of the Institute of Law and Economics. After her departure, the contact did not end.

Heike Schweitzer died on 11 June 2024. We miss her very much.

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