**Course:** Foundations of European Law

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<u>Classes</u>: every Wednesday, h. 16-18, at Aula 8, Facoltà di Giurisprudenza, starting from april 12<sup>th</sup> 2017

<u>Description of the course</u>: The course offers cognitive tools that facilitate students to recognize the legal patterns (*path dependence*) throughout the evolution of some of most crucial issues in the current European law, reconnecting their origins in roman law with today's main national legal systems, EU law and common frames of harmonized law.

The investigation will be carried on from a multipoint perspective and it will entail the analysis of first hand materials, such as normative texts, judicial decisions and scholarly literature, that will be circulated *via* email.

In particular, the *law&economics* approach will be stressed, trying to 'pierce the veil' before the public policies and the regulatory choices.

As expected outcomes, the students that will successfully attend the course thus will be able to understand the inner *rationes* behind the current challenges of european legal integration.