UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Public Economic Law for Business Studies

2526-1-F7703M007

Learning objectives

The main objective is to provide specific training in the legal institutes of public economic law with a focus on the relationship between public power and the market. Public intervention in the market economy is addressed with regard to the protection of competition, economic regulation, and public contracting.

Knowledge and Understanding
The primary goal is to provide specialized training in the legal institutions of public economic law, with particular attention to the relationship between public authority and the market. Public intervention in the market economy is examined in relation to competition protection, economic regulation, and public contracting.

Applying Knowledge and Understanding
The course aims to equip students with the tools to understand the regulatory framework—national, EU, and international primary and secondary legislation—within which economic operators compete. It also explores the conditions that hinder competition and lead to reserved sectors subject to public regulation. Students will gain the ability to critically examine the operational, legal, and economic challenges involved in the role of independent authorities, regulatory activities, and market participants.

Making Judgments
The course is designed to develop the ability to frame the legal dimensions of real-world cases and to formulate informed judgments regarding applicable regulations and appropriate legal solutions.

Communication Skills
The course seeks to guide students toward mastering technical language and appropriate terminology to competently describe legal phenomena and processes.

Learning Skills
The aim is to provide an analytical approach to legal phenomena, ensuring that students acquire the reasoning methods and mindset distinctive of the legal field.

Contents

The course concerns the relationship between markets and public institutions: it aims to deepen the knowledge about the rules applying to the economic relations and to public intervention.

The course sets out from the constitutional principles – based on Italian and European law – regarding company, competition and public intervention in the market; and it aims to outline the specific features of an *open* market *economy* with free competition.

The analysis is directed to the institutions of the company and competition; to the different markets, the liberalized and the regulated markets; to the sector institutions; to the networks, the services, the public contracts and to the several way to regulate.

Detailed program

1. Relations between markets and institutions
2. The public law in the perspective of the European integration: the dynamics of the economic sovereignty
3. Companies and the institutions of the competition
4. Markets of public goods and the institutions of the regulation
5. Networks, services and sector institutions: the independent authorities
6. The services of general economic interest: the sector of the local public services
7. The opening to the market of the sectors subject to reserve
8. The privatization of public companies
9. European public policies

Prerequisites

Knowledge of the legal sources of public law and the general organization of the Italian and European legal order.

Teaching methods

Teaching with different teaching methods:

- 15 2-hour lectures delivered in face-to-face delivery mode;
- 3 2-hour lectures delivered remotely.
- 3 2-hour laboratory activities carried out in interactive remote mode;

In the lectures delivered in interactive remote mode, there will be presentations of books relating to the teaching topics or seminars.

Assessment methods

The examinations consist of an oral test, and the possibility of written tests with **open questions** at the end of the lectures.
The opportunity will be offered to carry out **self-assessed work**, to be brought to the classroom discussion and to be considered for the examination, in lieu of portions of the syllabus.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

G. F. Ferrari - Diritto pubblico dell'economia, Egea, last edition

Semester

First semester

Teaching language

Italian

Sustainable Development Goals

DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH | INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE | REDUCED INEQUALITIES | SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES | RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION | PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS