



Ius Commune Prize 2018

Jury Report



The Ius Commune Prize 2018

The Ius Commune Prize 2018 as always will be awarded to an outstanding and original paper on the area of the Ius Commune research school. It needs as well to be seen as an encouragement to the author to engage in further research. Indeed, all papers submitted were of high quality.

After ample consideration of the merits of all 28 submissions, the jury has concluded the Ius Commune Prize 2018 should be rewarded to

Václav Janeček,

for his paper:

Ownership of Personal Data in the Internet of Things

The paper that was published earlier this year in Computer Law & Security Review. It addresses the problem of data ownership (on which we received several submissions). It takes a rich conceptual approach to ownership and proposes a strict separation between personal data and personal information. It distinguishes four dimensions of personal data (control, protection, valuation and allocation) which the author takes to support and in a sense determine the notion of ownership in such data.

The jury is impressed with the breadth and clarity of analysis of this controversial topic, an analysis which also takes general property law on board. Although it may not bring controversy over data ownership to an end, the jury finds the paper a contribution to understanding many questions surrounding it.

For their special merit, the Jury makes honourably mention of the papers by ***Hannelore Niesten*** and ***Wannes VandenBussche***. The latter comprises a wide-ranging comparative study of non-pecuniary remedies for defamation, in particular court-ordered apologies. The former provides a clear analysis of the problems of the Schumacker case law of the Court of Justice and of their possible solution, and concerns the question in which state personal and family tax benefits should accrue in situations of cross-border personal income earned in several states.

Amsterdam, 29 November 2018

The jury:

Hildegard Schneider (Maastricht)

Vincent Sagaert (Leuven)

Sander Jansen (Maastricht)

Leonard Besselink (Amsterdam)

Michael Milo (Utrecht)