

At the University of Graz, researchers and students work across a broad disciplinary spectrum to enlarge our knowledge, and find strategies to deal with challenges our society is confronted with and to shape tomorrow's world. The University of Graz is a place which combines high quality academic research and teaching, where achievement is rewarded, careers are promoted, and social diversity is encouraged – all within a modern, award-winning working environment. Our motto: We work for tomorrow. Join us!

The Department of Civil Law, Foreign and Private International Law deals with all fields of classic civil law, with European private law (Centre for European Private Law), with private international law and international procedural law, comparative private law, digitalisation, as well as with interdisciplinary research in private law (business, economics and social sciences, psychology, informatics), particularly in the framework of the University's field of excellence "Smart Regulation".

At the Department of Civil Law, Foreign and Private International Law at the Faculty of Law, the University of Graz is seeking to appoint a

Professor of Civil Law and European Private Law

(40 hours per week; selection procedure in accordance with Section 98 of the Universities Act (UG); permanent employment according to the Austrian Law on Salaried Employment (AngG); expected starting date October 1st 2026)

The professorship is part of the strategic positioning of the Faculty of Law which includes the following objectives: innovation, interdisciplinarity and internationalisation. With this professorship, the faculty is strengthening its expertise in the field of private law. The position entails the ability to represent Austrian civil law in research and teaching, with particular emphasis on its integration into European private law. Additionally, connections to other private law disciplines, comparative law, or interdisciplinary research are desirable. The professor will attract third-party funds for national and international research projects. Furthermore, the successful candidate will contribute to the university's profile development as well as to university-wide and faculty-specific core research areas. Participation in the Faculty's doctoral programmes, in particular the doctoral programme "European Private Law", is expected.

Employment requirements:

- Austrian or equivalent foreign higher education degree corresponding with the position (doctorate/PhD)
- Habilitation in Austrian civil law or equivalent qualification
- Outstanding academic qualifications in research and teaching in the relevant discipline and for the profile of the professorship (commensurate with stage of academic career and interruptions in employment due to caring responsibilities)
- Success in attracting subject-specific project grants, particularly where competitively awarded third-party funds are concerned
- Skills in higher education didactics including the use of digital media
- Skills in the supervision and guidance of early stage researchers
- Professional experience abroad during academic career
- Management and leadership experience
- Gender mainstreaming and diversity management skills
- Outstanding knowledge of German and English is mandatory, other languages are desirable

The successful candidate will be highly motivated, aiming for academic excellence and integrity in research and teaching. He/she will have demonstrated ability to collaborate constructively in a responsible manner and inspire colleagues and students in an interdisciplinary, internationally oriented context.

We offer a diverse, challenging, team-oriented working environment and a high degree of personal responsibility. Working hours are flexible and there are many options for further education and personal development.

Classification

Salary scheme of the Collective Bargaining Agreement for University Staff (Universitäten-KV): A1

Minimum salary

The minimum remuneration as stated in the Collective Bargaining Agreement is EUR 92.460,20 gross per year. Salary subject to negotiation.

Application deadline: **June 4th 2025**

Reference number: **BV/2/98 ex 2024/25**

Planned dates of the applicant's presentation: 27.-28.11.2025

The University of Graz is committed to increasing the proportion of female employees, especially in leadership roles. We therefore encourage qualified female colleagues in particular to apply for this position. In case of equal qualifications, women will receive priority consideration.

Please submit your application documents (in German or English) in accordance with the **general application guidelines** (which can be found at <https://personalressort.uni-graz.at/en/appointment-procedure/>) before the stated deadline. Your application documents should include the reference number of the position and be sent by email to:

bewerbung.professur@uni-graz.at