

## GENERAL REMARKS REGARDING MOCK EXAMS—ANJA WIES BROCK

### General remarks

- Make sure your answer is complete: In the question you were asked to discuss the rules about the interpretation of contracts and good faith. If you focus only on one of these aspects (for example only on rules regarding good faith) you will lose points. It also appears clearly from the legal provisions provided in the Assignment that not only an analysis of the good faith principle was required.
- Make sure that you refer to the relevant provisions contained in the international instruments! In any legal exam it is important that you not only discuss the content about the rules you are discussing but that you also refer properly to the relevant provisions.
- Moreover, make sure to compare the relevant provisions, rather than merely listing them and discussing each one separately.
- Also note that you were mainly asked to compare the international/European instruments and only (possibly) refer to national systems to support your argument. An answer that focuses on national systems and contains only few references to international instruments is therefore not sufficient.
- Structure: If you are answering only one broad question, such as the one asked in the mock exam, it is immensely helpful for yourself and the person grading your exam if you structure your thoughts properly and include headings / subheadings.
- In an exam situation, avoid general introductory sentences or paragraphs that do not directly relate to the question. This will not cost you points, but you will lose precious time.
- An open question, such as the one posed in the assignment, can be answered in various way, so there is not one single perfect answer. However, there are certain requirements in terms of content and structure that have to be fulfilled in order to get a good grade.