

## ABSTRACTS AND AUTHORS' INFO

### L.S. Mamut and Eternal Questions

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Remembering L.S. Mamut the author analyses his concept of state as a publicly organized society, offers his own view on this theoretical construct and reveals its risks. First of all – risk of the theoretical justification of removing responsibility from the public authorities. This article reflects the idea that the theory of publicly organized society has the right to exist but it is not universal.

☐ L.S. Mamut, state, people, publicly organized society, responsibility, people's responsibility.

### Professor L.S. Mamut's Researches and Certain New Problems of Political Science

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Professor L.S. Mamut left a rich scientific heritage on some principal matters of history of doctrines of the state and law, as well as in the field of jurisprudence, and in particular of political science (the concept and values of the state, social state, the rule of law state etc.). The article deals with the application of L.S. Mamut's approaches for analysis of some modern integrative territorial public legal entities which have similarities to state.

☐ L.S. Mamut, political science, value approach, state, welfare state, rule of law state.

### On the Issue of the Substratum of State (in Memoriam L.S. Mamut)

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The article deals with one of the principle topics in the political and legal heritage of professor L.S. Mamut – views on the state as an organized society, a substratum, the basis of which are human beings. Such a conclusion could be made on conceptualizing the ideas of the great political scientists and legal scholars of the past, among those in particular – Samuel Pufendorf, a thinker of the early German Enlightenment. Considering the idea of human measure of the state the author of the article refers to the experience of other social sciences, which state the problem of the human substratum “quality” in a legal perspective. Developing active abilities of people as the subjects of state-legal communication look promising as an area of research.

☐ L.S. Mamut, Samuel Pufendorf, state, active abilities of the subjects of state-legal communication.

### **The State: Strong or Weak**

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The article deals with the main features and characteristics of states. The author offers his own definition of the term “state” in the context of which its functions are considered, which allows conclusions whether a state is strong or weak. The author also analyses the interdependence between the elements of the state in the process of dynamic management of state affairs, the improvement of efficiency of state influence on social processes, the position of law as the basis for activity of all state bodies and institutions.

➤ State, society, civil society, risk, conflict, prognosis, public services, monitoring.

### **State: Constitutional Law Point of View**

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The article analyzes variants of embodiment of the “state” category in constitutional legal frame. The author argues that state should be considered as an organization that is constitutionally authorized by the society to execute its power in strictly limited public affairs, under condition of social control.

➤ State, constitutional legislation, constitution, constitutional basis.

### **State Sovereignty as a Legal Philosophy Problem**

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Annotation: The problem of state sovereignty is analyzed from a legal philosophy standpoint, when global world order is considered. The author focuses on a few remarkable discussions among the most prominent thinkers who build philosophical basis for state sovereignty as a political and legal phenomenon.

➤ Law, state sovereignty, global world order, legal philosophy, legal development, nation.

### **The State as the Legal Order and the Legal Order Without a State**

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The article analyzes the concept of the State as the legal order, developed by Hans Kelsen; its advantages in comparison with the traditional sociological interpretations of the State. The author emphasizes that Hans Kelsen had foreseen many modern trends in the development of law, in particular, the blurring of the distinction between international and national legal orders. But his idea of strengthening the centralization and organizational unity of the universal world legal order turned out to be erroneous. The modern legal order has heterarchical character, a network structure and does not ensure the unity and consistency of regulation.

➤ State, legal order, globalization, population, territory, sovereignty, international law, Hans Kelsen, L.S. Mamut.

### **Correlations of Developing Human Personality and Welfare State in Legal Dimension**

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The article discusses the complex sustainable linkages and relationships between the personality in its constantly and unevenly changing legal status and some directions in the activities of the welfare State, promotes the process of formation of personality or, on the contrary, creates obstacles.

➤ Welfare state, individual, legal status, homo juridicus, authority.

### **Local Self-government and the State**

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The article analyzes the history of relations between the state and local self-government in Russia. It is argued that allowing local government is based each time at its' social nature. Therefore, the state sets out a broad legislative autonomy and limits the interference of the bureaucracy in the local government affairs. Then the local government autonomy has been reduced until it starts to be considered as part of the public administration system allowing arbitrary interference. This model can be considered as one of the longstanding traditions of the Russian state.

➤ Local self-government, Constitution, state, autonomy, officers, responsibility, control.

### **Local Government in the System of Multilevel Governance of the European Union**

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The article deals with problems of internationalization of local government in the countries of the European Union. The author analyses the most important documents setting up the standards of activities of regional and local authorities, mechanisms of these standards' realization. The article also deals with the position and the role of subnational authorities in the system of multilevel governance established in the countries of the European Union, features of the Committee of Regions' activities.

→○ European integration, local and regional authorities, subsidiarity principle, the politics of cohesion, multilevel governance, the Committee of the Regions.

### **Modern Legal System of Hong Kong**

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The article is devoted to research of features of legal system of the Special Administrative Region of Hong Kong. The complex research represents both the traditional law of China and Anglo-Saxon juridical aspects along with modern CPR legislation acting at Hong Kong after its reunification on 1997. The typical policy leaded by the power of CPR in the field of legislature towards to this strategically important for Chinese nation region is emphasized.

→○ Chinese law, legal system, Hong Kong, customary law, legislation, special administrative region.

### **Conventional Regulation of Dual Nationality in Spain**

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The article deals with current dual nationality conventions concluded between Spain and various Republics of Latin America. The conventions created a special system which stipulates that the nationals of the countries concerned may have dual nationality but only one of them is considered active.

→○ Nationality, dual nationality, Spain, Latin America countries.