

The goal of the project is to analyse new ways of harmonic coexistence of nations in the domain of relations under private law which constitute a response to the contemporary challenges of the world: globalization, widespread migration, free movement of capital, goods and services. The disappearance of state borders, unification and harmonization of law, cause the differences between particular legal systems to be more and more reduced to differences between particular provisions of law. This leads to a gradual shift away from the model of blind determination of a legal system applicable to a given relationship, towards a direct search for such legal norms, which shall assure reasonable and just – from the point of view of courtesy and tolerance, as well as the need of coexistence between nations – case solutions as to their merits.

The principal aim of the research under the project encompasses the evaluation of new development paths of private international law. The criteria for assessment of usefulness of new methods, instruments and techniques is constituted by the answer to the question – on the one hand – to what extent do they assure stability and predictability of final decisions and – on the other hand – to what extent do they allow for such a margin of free discretion during the decision making process that a just solution of a particular case may be reached.