

# **EUROPEAN UNION LAW**

## **MODEL EXAM**



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## ***IRAC method of completing exams***

- Issues** - Outline the issues that you are going to discuss.
- Rules** - Define the legal rules that are relevant to the question.
- Application** - Apply the legal rules to the facts of the question (this is the hard part!).
- Conclusion** - Tie things up, usually in the form of an advice to your hypothetical client.

Always use your reading time wisely to **PLAN YOUR ANSWER** before writing. This is of utmost importance as it will help you clarify your thoughts and ensure that you avoid following desperate exam strategies that unprepared students commonly resort to, such as:

- i) 'the kitchen sink' i.e. spilling all of your knowledge that is vaguely related to the topic onto the exam paper and hoping for the best.
- ii) 'the garden path' i.e. going off on an irrelevant tangent

Remember that the **APPLICATION IS THE MOST IMPORTANT SECTION** of your answer and should take up the bulk of your time. The actual conclusions you reach are often superfluous. Rather, your marker will be most interested in *how you arrived* at your conclusion.

**Question 1**

Does the Treaty of Lisbon build on the Treaty of Nice and provide a suitable instrument for enlargement.....

**Question 2**

To what extent has the concept of European citizenship affected free movement rights.....

**Question 3**

Assess the compatibility of each of the following laws and policies with Articles 34 – 36 the Treaty on the functioning of the European Union (TFEU).

**Article 34**

Quantitative restrictions on imports and all measures having equivalent effect shall be prohibited between Member States.

**Article 35**

Quantitative restrictions on exports, and all measures having equivalent effect, shall be prohibited between Member States.....



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