

International Higher Education & Global Science – Europe–China relations in a changing world

Some reflections from an EU public economic law perspective



The (New) silk road between Europe and China: trade in goods *and* trade in (professional) services?

Perspectives from EU Single Market law – the research agenda (a)

The mutual recognition of professional qualifications

- > Key principle: mutual trust
- > Ambitions cooperation EU-China: modest

The link between EU internal market law, trade & academic freedom

- Article 13 EU Charter Academic freedom 'triggered & enhanced' through internal market & trade rules
- > Academic freedom restricted through internal market & trade rules
- ➤ What is academic freedom under Article 13 Case C-66/18, Commission v Hungary

Perspectives from EU Single Market law – the research agenda (b)

The greater emphasis in the EU on 'economic sovereignty' & industrial policy

- > Integration economic and geopolitical interests
- ✓ EU Foreign Investment Screening Mechanism
- ✓ Proposed Regulation Foreign Subsidies, COM(2021) 223 final
- ➤ 'Internal dimension' of cooperation in the field of higher education & academic freedom vis-à-vis external dimension



Thank you for your attention!