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Dear Mr Uldis Krastins

As the President of the European Law Institute (ELI) it is my great pleasure to welcome Constitutional Court of the Republic of Latvia to the ELI. We much appreciate your commitment to being a part of the Institute.

As you are aware, the ELI was established to initiate, conduct and facilitate research, make recommendations and provide practical guidance in the field of European legal development. The ELI's working definition of the law in Europe encompasses not only the development of European law by the European Union and the Council of Europe, but also other fields of national law and may also include the development of international law, both public and private.

Since its inauguration, the ELI has opened a pan-European conversation, engaging individuals and institutions throughout the Continent and beyond to make recommendations that will leave a lasting mark on the European legal landscape. As an Institutional Observer, Constitutional Court of the Republic of Latvia can contribute to the work of the Institute, not least by suggesting new projects to be carried out by the ELI. I also invite you, as one of our newest Members, to take an active role in the Institute's work by engaging with [Hubs and Special Interest Groups \(SIGs\)](#) and collaborating with other ELI Members on existing initiatives.

Membership of the Institute provides Constitutional Court of the Republic of Latvia with access to a network of renowned experts. Additionally, the profiles of our Institutional Observers are featured on the website of the Institute and in our Newsletter.

I would also like to take this opportunity to cordially invite you and members of Constitutional Court of the Republic of Latvia to attend the next ELI Annual Conference and General Assembly, which will take place in Vienna (Austria) from 4–6 September 2019.

The staff at the Secretariat in Vienna are there to take care of issues relating to your membership and general administration. Please do not hesitate to contact them should any issues arise.

Once again, I would like to warmly welcome you to the ELI. We are delighted to have you with us.

Kind regards



Christiane Wendehorst  
ELI President