

This thesis is dedicated to the European Private International Law, namely to a special part of this branch of law, to contractual and non-contractual obligations. These obligations are not governed by the direct uniform rules within the European Union because there are still very significant differences between the laws of the Member states. Since there are no direct uniform rules (even though there is a strong approach towards the European Civil Code for quite some time) to govern these areas, there must be a tool to secure the justice and legal certainty. Today, these tools are the conflict rules that are contained in hereafter mentioned pieces of European legislation. Chapter 1 is a general introduction to the European Private International Law and explains what topics this thesis will deal with. Chapter 2 deals with the general terms of European Private International Law and with different methods of creating the rules that are governing this area of law. Chapter 3 covers the sources of European Private International Law, their system and conflicts between them. Chapter 4 tries to briefly show the development of the regulation of European Private International Law within the European Community. Chapter 5 concentrates on the Rome convention on the law applicable to contractual obligations. This chapter looks into the detail of every single provision of this convention and tries to explain its function and applicability. Chapter 6 compares the Regulation on the law applicable to contractual obligations (Rome I) with the Rome convention. Chapter 7 looks on the Regulation on the law applicable to non-contractual obligations (Rome II). Chapter 8 is a final word of the author with respect to the future expectation on development in the field of European Private International Law.