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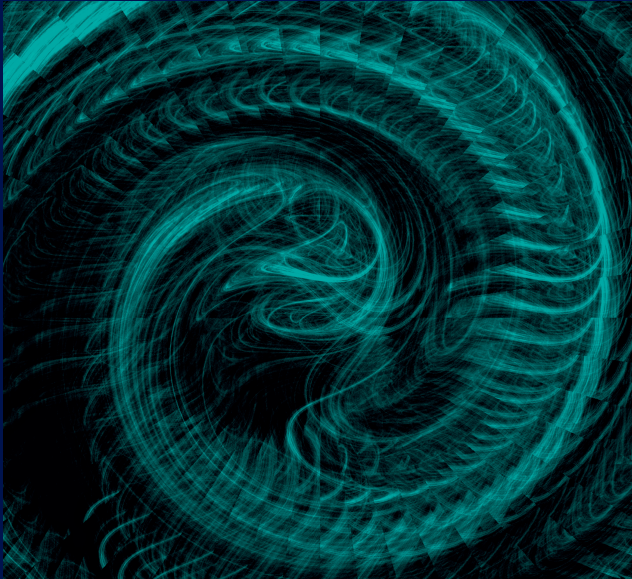
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This book seeks to explore and analyse the importance of family law from multiple perspectives. Changes in the forms of cohabitation, new family conceptions, new reproductive technologies and gender equality are current unresolved legal challenges, where a historical view has much to offer. It sheds light on the interactions between family, law, and society over the centuries, exploring the tensions, contradictions and changes that have defined this complex relationship. It contributes to the current debate on the legal challenges and dilemmas facing the family institution in the twenty-first century.

This book is a thought-provoking and critical analysis, offering a panoramic look at the evolution of family law and its impact on today's society.

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Introduction

It is an honor and a satisfaction for me to introduce this monograph which incorporates a complex and interdisciplinary vision of a subject that, although it is constantly present in our positive law, it still is the result of the impact that Roman Law has had on our European legal tradition.

Indeed, the greatness, meaning and usefulness of this law does not suffer a substantial decline with the end of its practical application. It is well-known, the unique ability of the Roman Law to develop equitable fair principles, which exceed its own space-time coordinates and adapts to the new realities of many years in which in one way or another will continue in force, providing solutions to various social interactions. These concepts postulated by Roman Law are the axis of the juridical history of the European continent.

Despite the scientific value that everything historical entails, the work we present here is a proof of this, and as its title indicates, it is not limited to showing a historical vision of some institutions of family law. This work shows precisely how Roman Law has adapted to a rapidly changing world, especially in the field of the family, an institution considered one of the three basic pillars of law and society.

In the vast legal system framework, few areas are as fundamental and complex as those involving family and its relationship with society. Throughout history, the family has been considered the primary nucleus of social organization, and the law has played a crucial role in the regulation and protection of its member's rights and obligations.

In this book, this intricate relationship is discussed throughout time, from the beginnings of Roman Law to nowadays. Through an in-depth and rigorous analysis, we examine how family conceptions and its legal rules and regulations have evolved, adapted to social, cultural and political changes.

We can't ignore the challenges facing Family Law in Europe. Demographic transformations, technological advances, changes in family patterns and social inequalities raise questions and ethical dilemmas that require a constant adaptation and updating of family laws. It is imperative that legislators, academics, legal practitioners and society as a whole, actively collaborate to address these challenges and ensure that family law remains a driver of justice and fairness in Europe.

In this context, this book seeks to explore and analyze the importance of family law from multiple perspectives. Changes in the forms of cohabitation,