## INTRODUCTION TO THE GERMAN LEGAL SYSTEM

## Final examination

(100 points = 50 % of the final grade)

- 1. Introductory question: Please present briefly the *structure of German private law*. Which are its main fields and sub-fields? Please give two examples of important laws in private law. (20 of 100 points)
- 2. Which is the *fundamental idea behind German private law*, esp. behind the law of obligations? Why is this concept subject to numerous restrictions today? (20 of 100 points)
- 3. What is the difference between *grounds of justification* and *grounds of exclusion of guilt* under German criminal law? (28 of 100 points)
- 4. Which *fundamental political-philosophical values and ideas* (principles) shape the constitutional identity of Germany and where do they have their roots? A short enumeration is sufficient. (32 of 100 points)

**Note:** This is an academic examination. Please write in legible handwriting and present your text in an appealing form. Read the questions very carefully and think carefully before you formulate your answers. Make sure that your text answers precisely the questions, is concise, has a clear and consistent structure with well-formulated precise headlines and shows well your deeper understanding of the subject matter. After the exam, all students are welcome to contact me to discuss in detail the strong and weak points of their paper (e-mail: tschmit1@gwdg.de; phone/WhatsApp: +7 775 364 2384).

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