Content requirements

Auslandsrundschau

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The Auslandsrundschau focuses on important new developments in criminal law and criminal law scholarship beyond the German legal system. We welcome manuscripts on the following topics:

1. Current developments in the substantive criminal law or criminal procedure of a foreign legal system
   Articles describe a controversial, much-discussed new law or landmark judgments by the highest courts, in which fundamental assumptions and principles are at stake that are also of great importance outside the respective country.

2. New developments in the criminal scholarship of a foreign legal system
   Articles report on trends in the scholarly discussion of another country if they are of particular interest to readers of the ZStW, for example because they represent a radical change or run counter to international trends.

3. Recent developments in European criminal law or international criminal law, including the national reception

4. New criminological or legal-sociological research on the development of crime or law enforcement practice abroad if findings are important for legal policy or criminal law doctrine in other countries

Please keep the following in mind when writing:

- Maintain a clear focus. Written contributions should inform the reader about the most important news from other countries (or the most important developments in European or international criminal law). Please keep the readership in mind: Your report should address scholars who read the ZStW and provide them with new insights.
- Briefly outline the background if this is necessary to understand the existing legal situation, case law, or the present doctrinal context – but only to the extent that enables readers to understand the change or controversy you are writing about.
- Articles on legal policy disputes or scholarly discussions should outline the prevailing opinion in the foreign legal system. Feel free to express your own opinion, but it must be recognizable to readers to what extent this opinion is shared in case law and criminal law scholarship.
- A comparative approach to a new development (comparing two or more national legal systems) is also possible, however only if the author has in-depth knowledge of all the legal systems being compared.

Length of contribution: As a rule, written contributions should not exceed 8000 words. We are also happy to receive shorter contributions (around 4000 words) that describe a landmark court decision or an important new law.

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