

UKRAINE AND THE WORLD

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MAIN FORMS OF EUROPEAN INTEGRATION IN LAW

International law is universal in its nature. However, based on various criteria, it is possible to single out relatively independent segments in its composition, such as belonging to a geographical region. When it comes to Europe, it usually means European law.

However, the term "European law" is used in legal science in different meanings. Thus, in modern legal science there are three possible interpretations:

- a set of legal rules of national law of European countries;
- a set of regulations established in the European Union;
- a set of regulations of international

law guarding relations between states in Europe.

Therefore, in the scientific application there formed a new term – "law of European integration". Today, it is popular among researches, but not appropriately investigated.

Summarizing the content of the article, the author notes that the European Union must be defined as a supranational entity, which acts as a subject of international law of a special type. In this connection, the European Union law should be regarded as a specific piece of international law created by a special supranational entity.