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**Ollscoil na hÉireann, Gallimh**  
**National University of Ireland, Galway**

**Semester I Examinations, 2003/2004**

<b>Exam Code(s)</b>	3BA1
<b>Exams(s)</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Bachelor of Arts (Legal Science)
<b>Module Codes(s)</b>	LW222
<b>Module(s)</b>	European Community Law I
<b>Paper No.</b>	1
<b>Repeat Paper __ Special Paper</b>	
<b>External Examiner(s)</b>	Dr C. Barnard
<b>Internal Examiner(s)</b>	Mr. Cian Carroll
<b><u>Instructions</u></b>	Students must answer any <b>THREE</b> questions. All questions carry equal marks. Students are requested to <b>indicate</b> which questions they have answered on the front of their answer book.
<b><u>Duration</u></b>	<b>TWO hours.</b>
<b><u>No. of AnswerBooks</u></b>	
<b><u>Requirements:</u></b>	
Handout	
MCQ	
Statistical Tables	
Graph Paper	
Log Graph Paper	
<b><u>Other Material</u></b>	Blackstone's EC Leg. Nigel Foster, (any edition), <u>which contains the consolidated version of the treaty establishing the European Community. (photocopies of this permitted). The Irish Constitution 1937. Treaty of Nice 2001.</u>
<b><u>Department(s)</u></b>	Law

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1. Answer **both** parts:

- i) Explain the main reasons and steps in the creation of the EEC.
- ii) Outline the contribution and significant changes made to the EC Treaty by the Single European Act 1986.

2. Explain the significance to EU law of the principle of the rule of law. To what extent does the decision-making process in the European Union live up to the principle of the rule of law?

3. "The European Parliament is and always has been no more than a talking shop, an institution with little or no power and little say in the law-making processes of the European Union/Communities."

Discuss. Your answer should focus on the issue of the democratic deficit in the legislative process and the development of the legislative power of the European Parliament.

4. Analyse the doctrine of direct effect in EC law with reference to the case law of the European Court of Justice in this area.

5. Answer Part 1 **or** Part 2.

- i) Discuss the doctrine of supremacy of Community law with reference to relevant case law. Why is the doctrine of such importance?
- ii) Discuss the main features of the preliminary reference procedure under Article 234 EC Treaty.

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