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Award of the Nobel Peace Prize to the European Union

The Court of Justice of the European Union, whose task is to ensure that the law is observed in the application and interpretation of the EU's Treaties, welcomes the award of the Nobel Peace Prize to the EU.

The EU being an organisation founded on the rule of law, the Court of Justice is proud that, at a time when the Court is preparing to celebrate its 60th anniversary, it has, in close collaboration with the courts of the Member States, contributed to the uniform application and interpretation of EU law; a law which is based on treaties freely negotiated by the Member States.

The EU offers its citizens an area of freedom, security and justice without internal frontiers. It is founded on the values of respect for human dignity and human rights, including the rights of persons belonging to minorities. These values are common to the Member States in a society in which pluralism, non-discrimination, tolerance, justice, solidarity and equality between men and women prevail.

Throughout the 60 years of the existence of the Court, its case law has allowed these values to be promoted whilst equally ensuring the coherence, effectiveness and development of the EU's policies and activities.

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