Comparative tort law : cases, materials and exercises

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“After a general introduction to the subject and method of comparative law the book discusses dozens of specific controversial tort cases by presenting, as to each of these cases, the applicable statutory texts, important leading cases and well-selected extracts from the academic literature. The author’s presentation is crystal-clear and most instructive, and his mastery of the recent comparative literature is awe-inspiring.”

Professor Hein Kötz, Emeritus Director of the Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg, Germany

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Comparative Tort Law promotes a ‘learning by doing’ approach to comparative tort law and comparative methodology. Each chapter starts with a case scenario followed by questions and expertly selected material, such as: legislation, extracts of case law, soft law principles, and (where appropriate) extracts of legal doctrine. Using this material, students are invited to:

• solve the proposed scenario according to the laws of several jurisdictions;
• compare the approaches and solutions they have identified;
• evaluate their respective pros and cons; and
• reflect upon the most appropriate approach and solution.

This book is essential reading for all students and scholars of comparative tort law and comparative law methodology and is the ideal companion for those wishing to both familiarise themselves with real-world materials and understand the many diverse approaches to modern tort law.

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