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Instrumental Citizenship: A Normative-cum-Empirical Inquiry
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Abstract
Instrumentalism is the heart of an inevitable lightening of citizenship in liberal societies. Three cases of instrumentalism are discussed and compared: the selling of citizenship, expanding provisions of external citizenship, and the evolving European Union citizenship as a citizenship without duties. While the instrumental turn of citizenship tends to be deplored, even counteracted, by the very states that reinforce the trend, and is criticized by normative theorists, it is deeply grounded in the thinning of public morality and the advancing of legal individualism in liberal societies.
Curriculum Vitae
Christian Joppke holds a chair in sociology at the University of Bern. He is also a Visiting Professor in the Nationalism Studies Program at Central European University in Budapest, and an Honorary Professor in the Department of Political Science at Aarhus University. He is Member of the German Expert Council on Integration and Migration (SVR). After earning a Ph.D. at the University of California at Berkeley in 1989, Joppke taught at the University of Southern California, European University Institute, University of British Columbia, International University Bremen, and the American University of Paris. He does comparative research in the fields of immigration, citizenship, multiculturalism, and religion.

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