



ADJUSTING LEGAL RESEARCH METHODOLOGY INTO QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

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ABSTRACT

The legal study is a generic study which has its methodology. As it is understood, one important part of the development of sciences is the research methodology. In its philosophy, the development of legal science methodology is separate from social sciences. Legal science was introduced as normative legal research and/or sociological legal research. Normative legal research does not require data that coming from the direct respondent, but can use legal (primary, secondary, and tertiary) sources, and/or any other tool that was developed in qualitative and quantitative research. While the development of legal science itself has already become multi and/or interdisciplinary that hand in hand with other studies (economic, technology, administration, social, etc). This condition requests legal studies to think to adjust its research methodology. Legal research is not dealing only with text in the regulation, but with the complexity problem in society also. It needs to develop the mind that legal science is considering scientific research as well as social science. The research problem that will be analyzed through this working paper is concerning the possibility to adjust the research methodology follows a qualitative and/or quantitative and/or mixed methodology. A constellation and reflection on the philosophical aspects and nature of legal and social research will be operated to give a proportional analysis in the answer of the problem (in this area of research will focus on money laundering and cyber laundering study). As a result, it is possible to adjust to qualitative, quantitative, and/or mixed research methodology by considering that legal science methodology is a part of scientific research.

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