

2.2. CJEU jurisprudence

The CJEU has played a standard-setting role in the interpretation of the exclusion ground relating to serious (non-political) crimes under the recast QD. Through a series of judgments, the CJEU has contributed to defining the concept of a serious crime as an autonomous concept under EU law requiring a uniform interpretation across Member States *(see Section 2.2.1.).* It has also examined the relationship between this exclusion ground and the separate concept of a ‘particularly serious crime’ which is applicable in the context of revocation or refusal of refugee status, highlighting that these concepts are distinct and governed by different legal requirements *(see Section 2.2.2.)*. Finally, CJEU jurisprudence has provided guidance on assessing the seriousness of a crime, shedding light on the scope of the investigation and the criteria which must be taken into account *(see Section 2.2.3)*.

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