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## Sommario/riassunto

Christian Thomasius's natural jurisprudence is essential to understanding the origins of the Enlightenment in Germany, where his importance was comparable to that of John Locke's in England. First published in 1688, Thomasius's "Institutionum jurisprudentiae divinae" ("Institutes of Divine Jurisprudence") attempted to draw a clear distinction between natural and revealed law and to emphasize that human reason was able to know the precepts of natural law without the aid of Scripture. Thomasius also argued that his orthodox Lutheran opponents had failed to understand this distinction and thereby had confused reason and Scripture. In addition to the "Institutes of Divine Jurisprudence," this volume contains significant selections from his "Fundamenta juris naturae et gentium" ("Foundations of the Law of Nature and Nations"), published in 1705. In "Foundations" Thomasius significantly revised the theory he had put forward in the "Institutes," and much of the "Foundations" therefore is a paragraph-by-paragraph commentary on his earlier ideas. These works are a companion to Thomasius's "Essays on Church, State, and Politics," and together they provide the first-ever English presentation of this preeminent German thinker. Christian Thomasius (1655-1728) was a German philosopher and legal theorist. He was a cofounder of the University of Halle, where he was also a professor. Thomas Ahnert is a Senior Lecturer in History at the University of Edinburgh. Knud Haakonssen is Professor of Intellectual History at the University of Sussex, England.

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