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Agenda

Round table for practice sharing on the development of curricula on international judicial cooperation in criminal matters by judicial training institutes

8 - 10 March 2022, Bucharest, Romania

Background information

The activity is part of a two complementary and connected round table events organized under the Technical assistance facility (TAF) of the EuroMed Justice Programme - financed by the European Commission and implemented through Eurojust – by the Romanian National Institute of Magistracy (NIM, the Belgium Judicial Training Institute (Institut de Formation Judiciaire Belge - IFJ) and EuroMed Justice Programme.

Organisers

EuroMed Justice Programme and Romanian National Institute of Magistracy (NIM)

Venue

National Institute of Magistracy – Auditorium (1st floor), 53 Regina Elisabeta Blvd. 050019 Bucharest (March 8 and 9, 2022)

Official visit to the Directorate for Investigating Organized Crime and Terrorism (DIICOT), 24 Calea Griviței 010732 Bucharest (March 10, 2022)

Working languages

English and Arabic with simultaneous interpretation

Objectives

- Sharing best practices on developing curricula and implementing initial and continuous training programs in the field of international judicial cooperation in criminal matters
- Building sustainable relations between EU MSs and SPCs judicial training institutes

Contact persons for the event

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Tuesday March 8, 2022

09:00 Registration of the participants

09:30 Opening of the round table, welcome words

- **Cristina Rotaru-Radu**, Judge, NIM Director
- **Virgil Constantin Ivan-Cucu**, Programme Coordinator, EuroMed Justice Programme
- **Raf Van Ransbeeck**, Director, Belgian Judicial Training Institute
- **Oana Daniela Pâțu**, Deputy Chief prosecutor, Directorate for Investigating Organized Crime and Terrorism
- **Diana Epure**, Judge, Director, Directorate for European Affairs, International Relations and Programmes, Romanian Superior Council of Magistracy

10:00 Moderator – **Laura Ceh**, Prosecutor, Romanian liaison magistrate in Italy

Introduction remarks by the Moderator and tour de table

International judicial cooperation in criminal matters: role of national central authorities, judicial cooperation networks (recommended duration of each presentation 20 minutes)

Simona Franguloiu, Judge, Directorate International Law and Judicial Cooperation, Romanian Ministry of Justice;

Nadina Spînu, Chief prosecutor, International Judicial Cooperation Service, International Relations and Programmes, Romanian Prosecution Office attached to the High Court of Cassation and Justice.

Follow up questions and discussions;

11:00 Coffee break

11:30 International judicial cooperation in criminal matters: role of courts, EU Agencies, judicial cooperation tools, challenges and opportunities (recommended duration of each presentation 20 minutes)

Isabelle Tocan, judge Bucharest Court of Appeal

Laura Ceh, prosecutor, Romanian liaison magistrate in Italy

Alexandru Frunză-Nicolescu, Legal Officer, EuroMed Justice Programme

Follow up questions and discussions

12:45 Lunch

14:00 Moderator – **Amelia Onișor**, judge, trainer Romanian National Institute of Magistracy

Presentations of SPCs judicial training organisation (Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine and Tunisia) (recommended duration of each presentation 15 minutes)



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- ✓ What is the legal status of the judicial training institute/school? (i.e. coordination/subordination to other public authority, budgetary organisation, management selection/ appointment)
- ✓ What are the main activities the school/institute is in charge of (i.e. initial and/or continuous training, trainers recruitment and/or training, competitions/exams concerning judges and prosecutors etc.)
- ✓ What is the target group of the trainings organized by the school/institute? (i.e. judges, prosecutors, court staff etc.)

15:30 Coffee break

16:00 Moderator – **Alexandru Frunză-Nicolescu**, Legal Officer, EuroMed Justice Programme

Training curricula on international judicial cooperation in criminal matters (needs assessment, designing initial and continuous training programs – content, format, methodologies, training tools)

Amelia Onișor, judge, Romanian National Institute of Magistracy trainer EU Law

16:40 Training of judges and prosecutors on International judicial cooperation in criminal matters (needs assessment, designing continuous training programs – content, format, methodologies, training tools)

Ruxandra Ana, Head of the Continuous Training Department, Romanian National Institute of Magistracy

Follow up questions and discussions

17:00 Conclusions at the end of the 1st day



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Wednesday March 9, 2022

09:30 Moderator - **Amelia Onișor**, judge, trainer Romanian National Institute of Magistracy

Round table on SPCs experiences on training in the field of judicial cooperation (Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Morocco, Palestine and Tunisia)

Presentations of SPCs training schools' representatives on national experience on training needs and training planning in the field of judicial cooperation in criminal matters (recommended duration of each presentation 15 minutes)

Follow up questions and discussions

11:15 Coffee break

11:45 Best practices on training in EU and international judicial cooperation in criminal matters. Presentations of EU MS judicial institutions representatives, discussions (Bulgaria, Greece, Italy, Spain and Portugal) (recommended duration of each presentation 10 minutes)

Follow up questions and discussions

12:45 Lunch

14:00 Moderator – **Virgil Ivan-Cucu**, Programme coordinator, EuroMed Justice Programme

Enhancing judiciary practical knowledge and developing a mutual trust culture between judicial authorities through training (recommended duration of each presentation 15 minutes)

Cornelia Riehle, Deputy Head of the European Criminal Law Section, ERA

Nawal M. Al-Jawhari, Secretary General EuroArab Judicial Training Network and General Director of the Judicial Institute of Jordan

Peter Goldschmidt, Expert and Head of Institutional Relations, EIPA

Follow up questions and discussions

15:00 Coffee break

15:30 Enhancing judiciary practical knowledge and developing a mutual trust culture between judicial authorities through training (recommended duration of each presentation 15 minutes)

Ksenija Krizman, Senior Project Officer, CEPOL

Terry Lowe, Project Manager SCJS Europe

Follow up questions and discussions



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16:15 Belgian experience with best practices on training in EU and international judicial cooperation in criminal matters and assuring continuity with the follow up event to take place in Brussels in September 2022

Raf Van Ransbeeck, Director, Belgian Training Judicial Institute

16:45 Conclusions of the round table

17:00 Closing of the round table

19:00 Group dinner - Novotel Hotel



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Thursday March 10, 2022

Study visit to the Directorate for Investigating Organized Crime and Terrorism (DIICOT)

10:00-10:45 Welcome of the participants, Overview of Directorate for Investigating Organized Crime and Terrorism Offences (D.I.I.C.O.T.)

Ms. Camelia Stoina, Chief prosecutor of International Cooperation Department

10.45-11:30 Joint Investigation Teams

Mr. George Gavrilă, Prosecutor within International Cooperation Department

11:30 Coffee Break

12:00 – 12:30 Study Case

Mr. Alex Florența, Chief prosecutor of Section for Combating Organized Crime

12:30 – 13:00 Questions, discussions, conclusions