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ENTraNCE 2014

European Networking and Training for National Competition Enforcers

Training of National Judges in EU Competition Law

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

SUMMARY

Following the successful organization of the three previous editions, the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies (RSCAS) at the European University Institute (EUI) welcomes applications from judges of EU Member States to participate in ENTRANCE 2013, a project co-financed by the Directorate General for Competition of the European Commission.

ENTRANCE is a training course addressed to 54 national judges from different countries interested to deepen their knowledge and share experience in EU competition law enforcement. The focus of ENTRANCE 2014 is on common procedural aspects which characterize the enforcement of competition law, and which ensure the compliance with the right of defence and the principle of due process in the national competition law proceedings.

The requirements to apply are:

1. Having the nationality of one Member State of the European Union;
2. Working as a judge in a national court of one EU Member State in the area of civil or administrative law;
3. Good knowledge of English language;

Participation to ENTRANCE 2014 is free of charge. Tuition fees, travel and accommodation costs in Florence for the selected participants will be covered by the project.



AGENDA

- **February 2014** : online preparatory activities
- **5th – 8th March 2014**: 4 days residential training in Florence
- **March 2013 – September 2014**: online activities
- **2nd - 4th October 2014**: 3 days final workshop in Florence
- **October-November 2014**: online follow-up activities

- **4 days of seminars in Florence (5th – 8th March 2014)**:
Main topics:
 - i. Introduction to EU competition law (Art. 101-102 TFEU)
 - ii. Common procedural rules of competition law enforcement
 - iii. The role of the European Convention of Human Rights (ECHR) in competition law enforcement (i.e. right of defense, right of private domicile, principle of *ne bis in idem*)

Lecturers: Prof. Pier Luigi Parcu (EUI; director of the ENTRANCE project), Prof. Giorgio Monti (EUI; ENTRANCE scientific coordinator), James Venit (Skaden LLP), Prof. Renato Nazzini (King's College), Prof. Nicolas Petit (University of Liege), Jacqueline Riffault-Silk (French Court of Cassation), Prof. Bruno de Witte (EUI)

- **Online activities through a user friendly platform (February - November 2014)**: Participants will use the platform to compare the national cases of application of the competition law through a guided online forum of discussion and analysis of cases study.

- **3 days final workshop in Florence (2nd – 4th October 2014)**: final roundtable to discuss national experiences in the enforcement of the competition law.

APPLICATION

National judges interested to participate in ENTRANCE 2014 can apply online **by 1st December 2013**:

<http://www.rscas.org/application/?p=apply&appl=Entrance2014>



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