



Monday, 19 – Tuesday, 20 September 2016
Academy of European Law (ERA) – Trier, Germany
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EJTN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW PROJECT
JUDICIAL TRAINING
THE EU PRELIMINARY RULING PROCEDURE
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Two-days event led by practitioners, academics and court officials on key issues surrounding the EU Preliminary Ruling Procedure. The training is based on practical workshops and framework lectures addressing the instances warranting referral of questions to the CJEU, the practical drafting and formulation of questions to the court, national reports on domestic cases of court referral, the interpretation and implementation of CJEU's judgments, and the latter's views on the best practices in this field. The second day of training will include a visit to the Luxembourg Court,

where participants will benefit from a general presentation of the court and will attend a court hearing. Participants are expected to have some background knowledge of the subject and to engage in active discussions with their counterparts from across the EU. This training seeks to operate as a platform for the exchange of knowledge and best practices among colleagues, the debate of key developments in this field, and the creation of lasting networks of judicial cooperation and understanding.

DRAFT PROGRAMME

MONDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER 2016		
Moderator: Andrej KMECL, Judge, Administrative Court of the Republic of Slovenia		
8.30 – 9.00	Arrival and Registration of Participants	
9.00-9.30	<p>Welcome Words</p> <p>Presentation of the European Judicial Training Network (EJTN)</p>	<p>Andrej KMECL, Judge, Administrative Court of the Republic of Lithuania</p> <p>Teresa CABRITA, Project Manager, European Judicial Training Network (EJTN)</p>
9.30–10.30	<p>The Preliminary Ruling Procedure: Revisiting the Basics</p> <p><i>Q&A – Discussion</i></p>	Rajko KNEZ , University of Maribor School of Law, Slovenia
10.30-11.00	Group Photo & Coffee break	
11.00-12.00	<p>To Refer or Not to Refer</p> <p><i>Q&A – Discussion</i></p>	Wiebke DETTMERS , Judge/Scientific Assistant at the Federal Court of Justice, Germany
12.00-13.00	<p>Making a Reference and Formulating a Question to the CJEU</p> <p><i>Q&A – Discussion</i></p>	Beatrice RAMASCANU , Judge and Judicial Trainer, National Institute of Magistracy of Romania
13.00-14.15	Lunch Break (training venue)	
14.15-16.00	<p>Workshop Sessions (3 breakout groups)</p> <p>The Decision to Refer & Drafting Questions to the Court</p>	<p>Workshop moderators & rapporteurs</p> <p>Wiebke DETTMERS</p> <p>Rajko KNEZ</p> <p>Beatrice RAMASCANU</p>
16.00-16.30	Coffee Break	
16.30-17.30	<p>A View from Luxembourg: Good Practices and Mistakes in Drafting a Reference</p> <p><i>Q&A – Discussion</i></p>	TBC , Registry, Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU), Luxembourg
17.30	End of Day 1	
19.30	Official Seminar Dinner (city center)	
TUESDAY, 20 September 2016		
Moderator: Andrej KMECL, Judge, Administrative Court of the Republic of Slovenia		
07.00	Departure from Trier to the CJEU (Luxembourg)	
8.20-12.15	<p>General presentation of the Court of Justice</p> <p><i>Q&A – Discussion</i></p> <p>Attendance of a Court Hearing</p>	Court of Justice of the European Union , Palais de la Cour de Justice, Boulevard Konrad Adenauer, Kirchberg L-2925 Luxembourg
12.15-14.30	Departure to Trier and Lunch at ERA (venue)	
14.30-15.15	<p>How to Read, Interpret and Implement a CJEU Judgment</p>	Maciej SZPUNAR , Advocate-General, Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU), Luxembourg

	<i>Q&A – Discussion</i>	
15.15-16.15	Evaluation of the Workshops & Main Training Conclusions	Workshop moderators & rapporteurs Andrej KMECL , Judge, Administrative Court of the Republic of Slovenia
16.15	Departure of Participants	

SPEAKERS

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Judge/Scientific Assistant at the Federal Court of Justice of Germany; Judicial trainers and EJTN tutor

Andrej KMECL

Judge and Head of Environment, Spatial Planning and Construction Department, Administrative Court of the Republic of Lithuania; AEAJ and EJTN member

Rajko KNEZ

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