



# EUROPEAN CROSS-BORDER CIVIL PROCEDURES

Legal English for Court Staff

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# Speakers

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# **Key topics**

- Legal framework of crossborder civil cases
- Brussels I Regulation (recast)
- Service of documents
- Taking of evidence
- European Payment Order
- European Small Claims
   Procedure

Language English

Event number 119DT27

Organisers ERA (Anastasia Patta) in cooperation with the Bulgarian National Institute of Justice

Location National Institute of Justice, 14, Ekzarh Yossif str., 1000 Sofia

# **European Cross-border Civil Procedures**

# Monday, 2 December 2019

14:40	Arrival	of	partici	pants

- 15:00 **Opening session: introduction to the programme and project** *Anastasia Patta*
- 15:10 Introduction to vocabulary for court staff Eva Samaniego Fernández
- 16:30 Coffee break
- 16:45 Setting the scene: key aspects of the EU acquis in civil matters Francisco de Paula Puig Blanes
- 18:00 End of the first day

# Tuesday, 3 December 2019

09:00	<b>GROUP A: Cross-border service of documents</b>
	Forms and methods of service
	Francisco de Paula Puig Blanes

**GROUP B: Legal language training (Part I)** Exercises for developing listening skills *Eva Samaniego Fernández* 

- 10:30 Coffee break
- 11:00 GROUP A: Legal language training (Part I) Exercises for developing listening skills Eva Samaniego Fernández

GROUP B: Cross-border service of documents Forms and methods of service Francisco de Paula Puig Blanes

- 12:30 Lunch break
- 13:30 Taking of evidence abroad
  - What falls under "evidence"?
  - Request and procedure
  - The use of new technologies Joke Halk
- 15:00 Coffee break
- 15:15 WORKSHOP: Solving case studies on the taking of evidence Joke Halk
- 16:15 Discussion of the workshop results in plenary
- 17:00 End of the second day
- 19:00 Dinner at the restaurant "Moma" (28 Solunska Street)

# Objective

The purpose of this interactive seminar is twofold: first, to introduce participants to the law and practice of cross-border civil procedures and, secondly, to improve their English-language skills.

Participants will be encouraged to solve practical case studies on the subject matter, while they will also receive the tools and develop the ability to communicate effectively in English in cross-border situations.

# Who should attend?

Court staff who need to apply EU law procedures to fulfil judicial or procedural functions.

# Your contact persons



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# Wednesday, 4 December 2019

09:00	GROUP A: Solving case studies and practical exercises on service of documents Joke Halk
	GROUP B: Legal language training (Part II) Exercises for enhancing speaking skills George Stanimirov Niagolov
10:30	Coffee break
11:00	GROUP A: Legal language training (Part II) Exercises for enhancing speaking skills George Stanimirov Niagolov
	GROUP B: Solving case studies and practical exercises on service of documents Joke Halk
12:30	Lunch break
13:30	<ul> <li>GROUP A: Brussels I Regulation (recast)</li> <li>Scope of application</li> <li>Jurisdiction</li> <li>Recognition and enforcement</li> <li>European Enforcement Order</li> <li>Aude Fiorini</li> </ul>
	GROUP B: Legal language training (Part III) Exercises for enhancing reading skills George Stanimirov Niagolov
15:00	Coffee break
15:30	GROUP A: Legal language training (Part III) Exercises for enhancing reading skills George Stanimirov Niagolov
	<ul> <li>GROUP B: Brussels I Regulation (recast)</li> <li>Scope of application</li> <li>Jurisdiction</li> <li>Recognition and enforcement</li> <li>European Enforcement Order</li> <li>Aude Fiorini</li> </ul>

17:00 End of the third day

19:00 Dinner at the restaurant "Corso" (10 Tsar Osvoboditel Blvd.)

# Thursday, 5 December 2019

09:00	Legal language training (Part IV)
	Exercises for improving writing skills
	George Stanimirov Niagolov

# 10:15 Recovering cross-border debts in the EU

- European Payment Order
  European Smalls Claims Procedure Aude Fiorini
- 11:00 Coffee break
- 11:15 WORKSHOP: Solving case studies on the European Payment Order Aude Fiorini
- 12:30 Discussion of the workshop results in plenary
- 13:15 End of seminar

# **Project description**

Within the framework of the Justice Programme the European Union is co-financing 13 language training activities for court staff.

Each seminar will have a duration of three full working days and will be organised in the partnering Member States. The number of participants will be limited to 26 per event.

# Calendar of events 2020

Brussels, 20-23 January 2020 Event no.: 120DT10

Bucharest, 23-26 March 2020 Event no.: 120DT11

Scandicci, May 2020 Event no.: 120DT12

Helsinki, 8-11 June 2020 Event no.: 120DT13

Krakow, 22-25 September 2020 Event no.: 120DT15

Utrecht, 19-22 October 2020 Event no.: 120DT14

# **Project webpage**

If you are interested in more information about the seminar project or would like to have free access to the specially developed training materials, please visit our project webpage under the following link:

court-staff.legaltraining.eu

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# EUROPEAN CROSS-BORDER CIVIL PROCEDURES

Sofia, 2-5 December 2019 / Event no.: 119DT27

# ERA

Europäische Rechtsakademie Academy of European Law Académie de Droit Européen Accademia di Diritto Europeo

# Terms and conditions of participation

## Participation

Participation is on selection. Participants should have a working knowledge of English. Interested court staff may register via their respective national training institutions.

Registration fee

Participation is free of charge.

#### **Travel expenses**

Selected court staff will receive a significant contribution to their travel costs upon receipt of the original invoices, tickets and receipts. Participants are asked to book their own travel.

#### Accommodation

Accommodation for 3 nights will be booked and covered directly by ERA.

#### **Contact Person**

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# **Project partnership**

## Partner

European Judicial Training Network (EJTN)

## Supporting organisations

Austria – Federal Ministry of Constitutional Affairs, Reforms, Deregulation and Justice

Belgium - Judicial Training Institute

#### Bulgaria

- National Institute of Justice
- Foundation European School of Enforcement

Croatia – Judicial Academy

Czech Republic – Judicial Academy

Estonia - Supreme Court

Finland - Ministry of Justice

France – National School for Clerks

#### Germany

- Federal Ministry of Justice and Consumer Protection (BMJV)
- Ministry of Justice of Baden-Wuerttemberg
- Judicial Academy of North Rhine-Westphalia
- Ministry of Justice, Rhineland
   Palatinate

Hungary - National Office for the Judiciary

Italy - School for the Judiciary

Latvia - Judicial Training Centre

Lithuania – National Courts Administration

**The Netherlands** – Training and Study Centre for the Judiciary

**Poland** – National School of Judiciary and Public Prosecution

Portugal - Ministry of Justice (DGAJ)

Romania – National School of Clerks

**Slovenia** – Ministry of Justice, Judicial Training Centre

Spain – Centre for Legal Studies