



Annual Conference on EU Criminal Justice 2024

- 15 years of the Lisbon Treaty (2009-2024)
- European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO)
- Defence rights
- e-evidence and cryptocurrencies
- Artificial intelligence in criminal justice

Sofia & Online, 14-15 November 2024



Speakers and chairs

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Key topics

- 15 years of the Lisbon Treaty
- European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO)
- Defence rights
- e-Evidence, bitcoins and "ecrimes 3.0"
- Artificial intelligence in criminal justice

Language

English

Event number

324R06

Organisers

ERA (Laviero Buono) in cooperation with the National Institute of Justice (NIJ), Bulgaria



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Thursday, 14 November 2024

08:30 Arrival and registration of participants

09:00 **Welcome and introduction**Silviya Dimitrova & Laviero Buono

I. CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS AND FUTURE INITIATIVES IN EU CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Chair: Laviero Buono

09:15 **OPENING SPEECHES**

Recent legislative developments and key priorities for the years ahead: the perspective of the European Commission

Ana Gallego Torres

10:00 Discussion

10:15 Investigating, prosecuting and bringing to justice the perpetrators of offences against the Union's financial interests: EPPO three years after the start of operations

Petr Klement

10:45 Discussion

11:00 Break

Chair: Mirjam Hannah Steinfeld

11:30 15 years of the Lisbon Treaty: policies and instruments needed to advance EU criminal law in practice

Jannemieke Ouwerkerk

12:00 Discussion

12:15 Developments in judicial cooperation in criminal matters: the European Judicial Network's (EJN) perspective for the years ahead Hugh Dockry

12:45 Discussion

13:00 Break / Lunch for on-site participants

II. DEFENCE RIGHTS AND HOW TECHNOLOGY IS SHAPING THE FUTURE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Chair: Jannemieke Ouwerkerk

14:00 Defence rights after 2024: how to ensure the right to a fair trial in data driven investigations

Mirjam Hannah Steinfeld

14:30 Discussion

14:45 Addressing new (post)-Covid pandemic challenges – criminals' new *modi* operandi: cybercrime, ransomware, child sexual abuse and non-cash payment fraud

Rainer Franosch

15:15 Discussion

15:30 Break

Chair: Ian Walden

16:00 The impact of new technologies in criminal proceedings and the "problem" of undercover work when it comes to protection: a view from the coalface Emmanuelle Legrand

Objective

This conference will facilitate the exchange of experiences among legal practitioners on current developments and future initiatives in the field of EU criminal justice. This year's event will touch upon the impact of artificial intelligence and on the criminal justice system. The conference will also address the EPPO, defence rights, the new EU legislation on e-evidence, the (ab)use of bitcoins and crimes in the "digital age". High-ranking representatives of the EU institutions, academics and national experts will debate the key priorities within the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice for the years ahead.

Who should attend?

Judges, prosecutors, lawyers in private practice, civil servants and policymakers active in the field of EU criminal law

Venue

National Institute of Justice 14, Ekzarh Yossif Str., 1000 Sofia, Bulgaria

Online participation option

The event will be streamed live online. You have the option to follow the conference online, enabling you to ask questions and take part in the discussion with speakers and participants in Sofia via live chat.



What participants liked in 2023

"Diversity of speakers, location, the broad range of topics"

"Programme, location, everything"

"The topics are very relevant to my professional performance"

"General atmosphere, choice of topics

"The approach on new technologies challenges"

"Mix of practitioners and scholars, topics, situation of the event"

"Great place to meet other practitioners, relevant topics"

"New insights, opinions and experience from colleagues from other member states"



Conference dinner offered by the organisers (for on-site participants)

Friday, 15 November 2024

III. WHAT NEXT? THE EU CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM FACED WITH CRYPTOCURRENCIES, ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE, E-EVIDENCE AND CRIMES 3.0

Chair: Rainer Franosch

09:30 Criminal money flows on the internet and the (mis)use of bitcoins: which investigation techniques?

Federico Paesano

10:00 Discussion

16:30

19:30

Discussion

10:15 Artificial Intelligence and law enforcement: a crime-fighting partnership

- The practical application of Al
- A case study
- Challenges: ethics and bias
- Acceptance of AI in the judicial process

Philip Anderson

- 10:45 Discussion
- 11:00 Break

Chair: Federico Paesano

- 11:30 Cloud-based evidence gathering: implementing mutual trust (Cloud Act & EPPO) and addressing encryption
 - Advantages/challenges with the use of new technologies and the cloud
 - Encryption and privacy
 - New data types and their use as evidence
 - · Data theft and data breaches

lan Walden

- 12:00 Discussion
- 12:15 Seeing is believing no longer stands: deepfake technologies and the evaluation of evidence

 Julija Kalpkienė
- 12:45 Discussion
- 13:00 End of seminar and light lunch (for on-site participants)

Programme updates: www.era.int - Programme may be subject to amendment

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Discover Sofia



Sofia, the capital city of Bulgaria, is a mesmerising blend of ancient history and modern charm. Nestled at the foot of Vitosha Mountain, Sofia boasts a rich tapestry of cultural heritage dating back millennia. But Sofia isn't just a city frozen in time; it pulsates with vibrating energy. Cafés spill onto cobblestone streets, where locals and visitors alike gather to sip strong Bulgarian coffee and indulge in hearty banitsa pastries. The city's parks offer serene retreats, where the rustle of leaves accompanies contemplative strolls.

CPD

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Registration

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