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CROSS-JUSTICE PROJECT

TRANSNATIONAL TRAINING – EUI, 22-23 FEBRUARY 2021 (ON ZOOM)

CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

The [Centre for Judicial Cooperation](#), in collaboration with its partners, announces the call for participation for legal professionals to take part in the following Transnational Training Workshop:

- **22 & 23 February 2021 (9.30-12.30) - *Procedural Rights in the EU and Effective Legal Protection***, European University Institute

The ‘Transnational Training Workshop’, involving legal practitioners from EU Member States, will take place in the framework of the **Cross-Justice Project**, coordinated by University of Bologna (for more details about the project, please visit the webpage: <https://site.unibo.it/cross-justice/it>).

This workshop aims to improve knowledge on the implementation of the six Directives on Procedural Rights of accused and suspected persons (Directives 2010/64/EU, 2012/13/EU, 2013/48/EU, 2016/343/EU, 2016/800/EU, 2016/1919/EU) in the legal practice of the Member States. It will in particular explore different areas of criminal law related to the access to justice as well as the right to an effective remedy. To achieve these objectives, a selection of the most relevant drawbacks of the procedural rights’ protection in criminal proceedings will be analyzed during the transnational training events.

The Transnational Training will be devoted to the following topics surrounding criminal proceedings and European Arrest Warrant proceedings: the right to interpretation and translation, the right to information, the right to be present at trial, the procedural safeguards for suspect and accused children, the presumption of innocence in criminal proceedings, the right of legal aid and the right to access to a lawyer and to have a third party informed upon deprivation of liberty.

Each session will be split in two parts: in the first part, renowned practitioners and lecturers will explore specific issues concerning procedural rights; in the second part, practical sessions involving cases discussion will facilitate the discussion among participants.

Participants

The event is particularly aimed at:

- Lawyers/ representatives of bar associations
- Judicial/prosecuting authorities
- Legal Officers
- NGO Operators
- Researchers/academics in the field of Criminal Justice and Fundamental Rights

A maximum of 15 applicants will be selected for participation. The Centre for Judicial Cooperation will select eligible participants among the received applications.

Applicants are invited to submit the following documents **by the 8th of February** to mariavittoria.catanzariti@eui.eu and/or michele.gigli@eui.eu :

1. A full CV in English;
2. Proof of English language skills (certificates, original publications in English, proof of university studies in English or other);
3. A brief motivation letter in English explaining the candidate's reasons of applying, how he or she would benefit from and contribute to the project. This letter should not merely restate the candidate's CV.

Applicants will be notified about the result of the selection process by 15th of February 2021.

Selection Process

The selection process aims to identify participants who will effectively and substantially contribute to dissemination of project results.

Thus, candidates are expected to have:

1. An excellent knowledge of English language.
2. A general knowledge of and experience in the topic of the workshop.

The selection will ensure the following criteria:

1. Inter-disciplinary representativity: the selection will ensure, as much as possible, equal representation of legal practitioners working on civil, criminal and administrative cases. The mix of those three categories shall depend on the topic of a particular workshop.
2. Gender balance.
3. Age balance.

4. Geographical representation: Geographical distribution shall be taken into account, with the aim of selecting participants who work in different areas and regions within the participating countries.

Expectations

Participants are asked to devote the necessary time to this project. If selected, participants are expected to commit to all sessions of the workshop. They are also asked to prepare for the Workshops by reading relevant materials provided by the organizers in advance.

Applicants are not required to have participated in similar training programmes before, nor will recent participation in similar training programmes necessarily prevent them from being accepted.

The selected candidates are expected to acquire awareness from the distributed materials, as well as to be ready to commit to the active participation in the workshop and its follow-up activities.