

Training of National Judges

KICK-OFF Meeting Introduction to the CFP HT.5763

Unit A4 - European Competition Network and Private Enforcement 10 November 2021



Justice Programme

The Training of national judges on EU competition law is part of the <u>Justice Programme 2014 -2020</u>, contributing to support and promote judicial training, including language training on legal terminology, with a view to fostering a common legal and judicial culture.

Our total budget for the Call For Proposals HT.5763: 900 000 €







The Call for Proposals

- Date of publication: 15/09/2020
- Deadline for applicants: 15/01/2021
- Award decision published on: 10/07/2021



Evaluation Outcomes

- 11 applications received, 6 grants awarded
- 5 types of evaluation criteria
 - Admissibility
 - Eligibility
 - Exclusion
 - Selection
 - Award criteria

Min pass score for successful proposal: 81 (last call: 75).



Thematic priorities

- Priority 1: Articles 101 and 102 TFEU
- Priority 2: Antitrust damages actions (Directive 2014/104)
- Priority 3: Economic principles of competition law
- Priority 4: Competition law in regulated industries
- Priority 5: Competition law in digital markets
- Priority 6: State Aid

Preferences:

- Trainings foreseeing consecutive levels
- Complementary or innovative trainings (no duplication)
- Trainings addressing judges from several member states in one training and thus encourage networking



Amount of the grant

- Grants between EUR 30 000 and EUR 300 000 (Average budget of awarded grants: 160 000 EUR)
- Grant <u>does not</u> cover the entire costs of the action:
 ✓ we finance up to 90% of the total eligible costs of the project
- The grant amount cannot exceed the maximum amount specified in I.3.1 of the GA
- Payment of grant generally in 2 instalments: a pre-financing (up to 50%) and at the end of the project



Target audience

The projects shall solely address:

- ✓ National judges dealing with competition cases at national level. This also includes prosecutors, apprentice national judges and the staff of the judges' offices or of national courts of eligible countries.
- ✓ Judges must be from one or several EU Member States (excl. DK) or EU candidate countries Albania and Montenegro
- All other participants will not count among eligible attendees and will not be accepted for financing
- The beneficiary is the sole responsible to get the right audience



Participant attendance list template (annex to the Grant Agreemnt)

To be submitted in original with the final report

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DATE: VENUE:

EVENT:

	Name	Surname	Country	Organisation	Role	Signature
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Austria	30		
Belgium	11		
Bulgaria	5		
Croatia	5		
Cyprus	5		
Czech Republic	5 0		
Denmark	0		
Estonia	5		
Finland	5		
France	5 5 5 6		
Germany	6		
Greece	5		
Hungary	8		
Ireland	5		
Italy	303		
Latvia	6		
Lithuania	6		
Luxembourg	3		
Malta	3		
Netherlands	30		
Poland	10		
Portugal	7		
Romania	9		
Slovakia	5		
Slovenia	5		
Spain	124		
Sweden	5		
United Kingdom	0		
Albania	3		
Montenegro	3		
TOTAL	622		





Promote your action on the Commission web page

 Let us know when your trainings and seminars will take place we will publish them on the Commission web page http://ec.europa.eu/competition/court/training.html

Upcoming events, actions and trainings for judges:

Dates	Title / Content / Contact	Audience	Place	Language
25th and 27th November 2021	Topic: Compensation of damages and competition law: a comparative overview inspiring national solutions	The project is addressed to national civil and commercial judges focusing on first instance and appeal judges dealing with	Universitat de València Estudi General (Valencia, Spain)*	Simultaneous translation in English and Spanish
	<u>Programme</u>	compensation of damages		
	Topic: Competition Law	 generated by the infringement of competition rules, including case studies and workshops, and will be structured in two events. 		
24st and 26nd	&Technology (platforms and e-			
March 2022	commerce)			
	<u>Programme</u>			



Lessons from experienced beneficiries

- What lessons can you draw from your experience in the "Training of Judges Programme"?
- What would you recommend to increase cooperation between beneficiaries? Do you have some concrete example to share?



Thank you

Questions?

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