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**1st MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE
EURO-MED JUDICIAL TRAINING CENTRES**

**EUROMED JUSTICE III PROJECT:
Training in the Euromed region: Overview of the current situation.
Interaction with the EuroMed Justice III Project**

Lisbon (PT), 7-8 May 2013

AGENDA

Tuesday 7 May 2013

09.00–09.15 **Registration of participants**

09.15–09.45 **Welcome speeches**

Fernanda VIDAL, Legal Adviser, International Affairs Department/Directorate General for Justice Policy, Ministry of Justice; National Focal Point for the EuroMed Justice III Project in Portugal.

Alexandre Ferreira BATISTA COELHO, Representative of the European Judicial Training Network (EJTN); Director of the International Relations Division of the Judicial School of Portugal.

Andrés SALCEDO VELASCO, Team Leader of the EuroMed Justice III Project.

09.45–10.00 **Presentation of the participants**

10.00–11.00 **Evolution of the training of judges and prosecutors: present and future. EU and ENPI South partner countries' perspective.**

Alexandre Ferreira BATISTA COELHO

11.00 –11.30 **Coffee break**

11.30–12.30 Debate

12.30–13.00 **General presentation of the work developed during the 1st phase of the EuroMed Justice III Project.**

Andrés SALCEDO VELASCO

José María FERNÁNDEZ VILLALOBOS, Course Manager of the EuroMed Justice III Project.

13.00–14.30 **Lunch**

14.30–16.30 **Workshop: The use of e-learning to strengthen cross-border cooperation between judicial training institutions and judiciaries.**

Short presentation on own experiences and the questions for the participants to discuss, to be followed by group work and discussion in plenary of the groups' work.

Peter GOLDSCHMIDT, Director of the European Centre for Judges and Lawyers, EIPA Luxembourg.

Wednesday 8 May 2013

09.00–11.00 **Exploitation of the work developed during the first phase of the project.**

Project Team

Debate

11.00–11.30 Coffee break

11.30–13.00 **Training of judges and prosecutors: the Portuguese experience.**

Alexandre Ferreira BATISTA COELHO

Debate

13.00–14.15 Lunch

14.15–15.15 **EU Cooperation programmes in the Euromed region linked with the Judicial Training Centres: Overview of the current situation.**

Sara CAMPINOTI, Programme Manager, European Commission Directorate-General Development and Co-operation – EuropeAid, Unit F4 - Regional programmes Neighbourhood South.

Debate

15.15–16.30 **Other international cooperation programmes in the Euromed region linked with the Judicial Training Centres. The second phase of the EuroMed Justice III Project: training sessions and study visits.**

Project Team and short presentation by the participants.

Debate

16.30 Closure of the meeting

Sara CAMPINOTI

Andrés SALCEDO VELASCO

General introduction

Presentation

This first activity is mainly addressed to the directors of the Mediterranean Partners and EU judicial training centres (or comparable institutions) and is entitled **“Training in the Euromed region: overview of the current situation. Interaction with the EuroMed Justice III Project”**. On this occasion, we are going to share with the directors of the Mediterranean partners and EU training centres (or comparable institutions) and expert participants the work carried out during the first phase of the EuroMed Justice III Project related to judicial training. We will also discuss very relevant topics related to training of judicial professionals such as **“The evolution of the training of judges and prosecutors: present and future. EU and ENPI South partner countries’ perspective”** or **“The use of e-learning to strengthen cross-border cooperation between judicial training institutions and judiciaries”**. In this respect, we will have the opportunity to share the opinion on, and approach to, the Euro-Mediterranean area of justice regarding the role to be developed in this building process by training centres (or comparable institutions) from their own perspective and with their respective competences. In this respect, special attention will be paid to international activities and cooperation programmes developed by the judicial training centres in the Euromed region.

Participants

The meeting is mainly addressed to the main leaders of the Euro-Med Judicial Training Centres (or comparable institutions). In this respect, it would be very useful if the Directors of these centres could take part in the meeting. In any case, the participants should have the appropriate profile, a comprehensive knowledge and vision, and a sound experience in this field; they should also be willing to make an effective contribution to this meeting.

The quality of the participants proposed is the main guarantee that our joint effort during the meeting will result in a good analysis and diagnosis of the situation in the region related to the topics under discussion and in an exchange of useful, reliable and accurate information. This, in turn, will lead to possible conclusions to be adopted at the end of the meeting.

3 participants from each Mediterranean Partner are invited to take part in this meeting.

Working Method

The working method will be based on the participants’ exchange of experiences and on participative discussions and debate.

The starting point is that those in charge of training centres (or comparable institutions) and experts should be aware that they are the main players during this meeting and, as such, they should provide the required information and experience related to the topics under discussion.

We think that the participants in this meeting should have an in-depth knowledge of the topics under discussion and be able to provide us with a detailed vision of the current situation in this field in their respective countries. We also expect them to have previously prepared themselves for the discussion in order to achieve the most fruitful results.

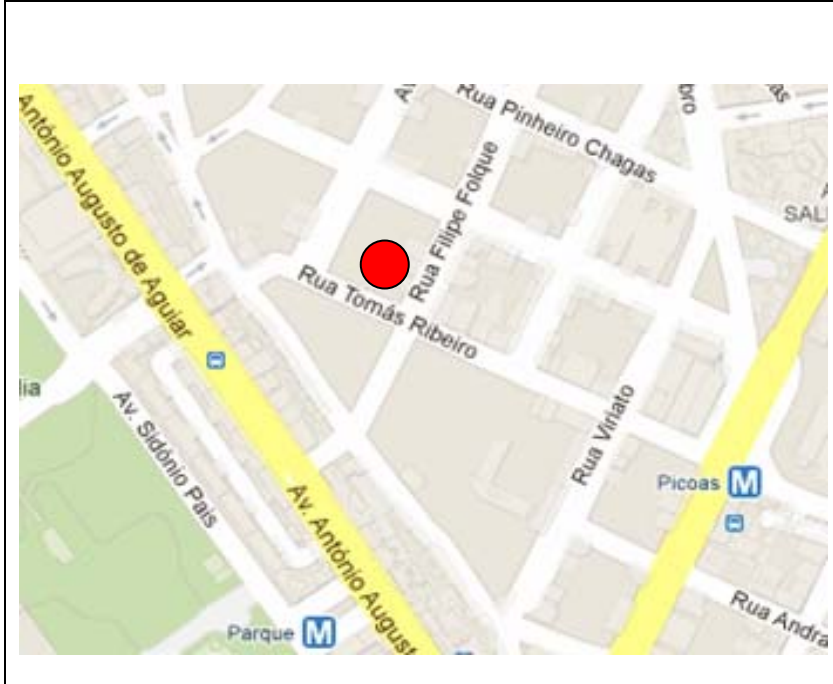
Expected Results of this meeting

1. To provide to the participants an overall approach concerning the EuroMed Justice III Project. This approach will be mainly focused on the work developed during the 1st phase of the project.
2. To strengthen an already established framework for dialogue and exchange of experience between the EU MS and the ENPI South partners with a view to helping consolidate regional and sub-regional legal cooperation.
3. To reinforce existing and create new contacts between judicial institutions and legal professionals (including the members of the Inter-professional Community).
4. To discuss on how the work developed by the different judicial training centres (or comparable institutions) could be improved through the different networks devoted to training, how to take advantage of the use of new technologies and how to improve interaction among themselves.
5. To discuss more specifically how the work of the judicial training centres (or comparable institutions) could contribute to reach the main goals of this project and to the building process of the Euro-Mediterranean area of justice.
6. To draw up possible recommendations/conclusions related to the topics reviewed.
7. Dissemination of project results and materials

Working languages

English, French and Arabic, with simultaneous interpretation during the meeting.

Venue of the meeting:



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