



Litigating European Union Law

- Proceedings before the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU)
- Visit to the CJEU

SEMINAR FOR LAWYERS IN PRIVATE PRACTICE
(BASIC TRAINING)

Trier and Luxembourg, 7-9 September 2022

**UP
GRADE**
YOUR LEGAL
EXPERTISE

Speakers

Marc Barennes, Partner, bureau Brandeis Paris, former Legal Secretary at the General Court of the EU

Richard Himmer, Legal Secretary, Court of Justice of the European Union, Luxembourg; Lecturer, University of Trier; Judge, Higher Regional Court of Berlin

Maarja Pild, Senior Associate, Triniti, Tallinn; Visiting Lecturer in Privacy and Data Protection, University of Tartu

Aldo Scalini, Counsel, Van Bael & Bellis, Brussels

Key topics

- The judicial system of the EU
- Effective judicial protection
- Proceedings before the CJEU
- EU legal remedies
- Procedural issues
- Practical tips

Language
English

Seminar number
422DT33

Organisation
ERA (Sanja Jovičić and Karolina Rokicka) in cooperation with the *Consejo General de la Abogacía Española* (Spanish Bar) and the *Krajowa Izba Radców Prawnych* (National Bar of Attorneys-at-Law in Poland).



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Wednesday, 7 September 2022

- 13:00 Arrival and registration of participants
- 13:30 **Opening of the seminar and ice-breaking exercise**
Sanja Jovičić

I. THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Speaker: Richard Himmer

- 14:00 **The enforcement mechanisms of EU law and the relationship between EU and national law (supremacy, direct and indirect effect)**
- 14:30 Discussion
- 14:45 **Composition, organisation and competences of the Court of Justice of the European Union – an introduction**
- 15:15 Discussion
- 15:30 Coffee break

II. DIRECT ACTIONS

Speaker: Aldo Scalini

- 16:00 **Direct actions before the General Court**
- How to prepare an action and submit procedural documents
 - Representation of the parties
 - Time-limits
 - How to prepare for the oral phase
- 16:45 Discussion
- 17:00 End of first seminar day

Thursday, 8 September 2022

III. VISIT TO THE COURT OF JUSTICE

- 06:45 Departure to Luxembourg
- 08:00 **Visit to the CJEU**
- Welcome and presentation of a case before the CJEU or the General Court
 - Attendance at a hearing
 - Meeting with a Registry staff member who will give practical tips on e-Curia and the preparation of the application and of the annexes
- 12:00 End of visit and return to Trier
- 13:00 Lunch

IV. PRACTICAL EXERCISE AND GROUP WORK

Speaker: Marc Barennes

- 14:30 **Case study on direct actions**
- Introduction to the case study
 - Group work
- 15:30 Coffee break
- 16:00 **Case study – continued**
- Common discussion about the results

Objective

This basic training will focus on proceedings before the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU) and will enable the participants to apply properly their knowledge of substantive EU law before the EU courts.

Who should attend?

Lawyers in private practice with basic or no knowledge of the proceedings before the CJEU. Only participants from the EU Member States (excluding Denmark) and Albania are eligible for this training.

You will learn...

- about the practical aspects of CJEU proceedings
- how to prepare an action and submit procedural documents
- how to present pleadings effectively before the CJEU and, in particular, before the General Court
- how to take into account and solve language problems in written and oral pleadings.

What participants said in 2022

“Very insightful event, great speakers”

“The course was very enjoyable and well organised”

“It is a good opportunity to learn and talk with fellow lawyers on the relevant areas of law and procedure”

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18:00 End of second seminar day

19:30 Dinner

Friday, 9 September 2022

V. PRELIMINARY RULING PROCEEDINGS

Speaker: *Maarja Pild*

- 09:30 **Reference for a preliminary ruling: practical advice for lawyers**
- How to convince a national judge to make a preliminary reference to the CJEU?
 - The urgent preliminary ruling procedure (PPU)
 - The written observations
 - The oral phase
 - Admissibility issues
- 10:15 Discussion
- 10:30 Coffee break
- 11:00 **Case study on the preliminary ruling procedure**
- Introduction to the case study
 - Group work
- 12:00 Common discussion about the results
- 13:00 End of seminar and lunch

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 Programme may be subject to amendment.



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Covid-19 prevention

The safety of our guests, partners and staff is our priority. ERA will take strict hygienic precautions and ensure continuous monitoring of and compliance with the applicable hygiene regulations.

Dinner

After an intensive day of training on 8 September you are invited to a joint dinner at no extra cost at the restaurant Zur Steipe, Dietrichstraße 54, Trier.

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Terms and conditions of participation

Selection

1. Participation is only open to **lawyers in private practice** from an **EU Member State (except Denmark), Albania and Montenegro**.
2. The number of places available is limited to 30 persons. Participation will be subject to a selection procedure.
3. Applications should be submitted before **5 August 2022**.
4. A response will be sent to every applicant shortly after this deadline. **We advise you not to book any travel before you receive our confirmation.**

Registration fee

5. The seminar fee is **120 euros**.

Travel

6. Travel expenses will be reimbursed to a **maximum of 350 euros** subject to the submission of the **originals** of travel receipts (like flight ticket, boarding pass, train ticket, taxi bill, etc.). Participants are advised of the obligation to use the **most cost-efficient mode of transport available**. Participants are further advised not to plan their return travel immediately after the visit of the CJEU as ERA cannot guarantee that the hearing will end at the time specified in the programme. Furthermore, due to security reasons, once inside the Court, the participants will not be allowed to leave individually but only as a group. A bus booked by ERA will take the participants from Trier to Luxembourg for the visit of the CJEU and back to Trier. Participants may decide to stay in Luxembourg after the end of the visit of the CJEU.

Accommodation

7. **Maximum 2 hotel nights** will be covered directly by ERA, only for the hotel booked by ERA.

Other services

8. One dinner, two lunches, beverages consumed during the event and the seminar documents are offered by ERA.

Participation

9. Participation at the whole conference is required and your presence will be monitored.
10. A certificate of attendance will be distributed at the end of the conference.
11. Please note that we might take photos during the event.

Force majeure

12. Due to the unpredictable health situation in Europe, ERA reserves the right to cancel the face-to-face event at any time and switch to an online format. Selected participants are advised not to book travel until they have received confirmation from ERA.

Applications for Litigating European Union Law

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Location

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Language

English

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