

Court staff training systems in the EU

The Netherlands

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DESCRIPTION OF THE NATIONAL TRAINING SYSTEM FOR COURT STAFF in The Netherlands	
1. Training of court staff	
Legal basis/ regulatory documents on training	N/A
Categories/ professions concerned	In Dutch: Juridisch mederwerker In English: Clerks of the court
2. Induction period	
Is there an induction period?	YES
Structure responsible for rules	National training provider (Studiecentrum Rechtspleging)
Compulsory	NO
Description	Length: 5- 6 months The clerk of the court work and undergo training at the same time. Form: • Apprenticeship in Courts • On-the-job training: court clerks undergo training for certain competences and they also follow courses with other court staff members

	Set Curriculum & main topics: NO	
	EU law content: NO	
Options	Linguistic training: NO	
	Training in another member state : No - This is not possible in the Dutch training system	
3. Continuous training system		
Continuous training available?	YES	
Financial support by	Local court	
Specificities	Compulsory: NO Obligations:	
Training in another MS as part of continuous training:	NO, because of the difference in systems in the courts	
Participation in training activities taking place in another MS	NO, it is not relevant to the discharging of court staff duties	
	Specific conditions: N/A	

	Exchanges: N/A	
Continuous training impact on professional evaluation of a person	NO	
4. Evaluation of training activities		
Regarding induction period training activities	YES	
	Responsible structure:	
	the training organisation	
Regarding continuous training activities	YES	
	Responsible structure and procedure:	
	By use of evaluation forms	
5. Assessment of needs		
Assessment scheme description	YES	
	Responsible structure and procedure:	
	At the end of each training activity an evaluation form is distributed to all participants. In the evaluation form, the participants may also indicate additional topics of their interest on which they wish to receive training.	
6. Foreseen reform		
N/A.		

Source: Pilot Project - European Judicial Training: "Lot 3 – State of play of training of court staff in EU law and promotion of cooperation between training providers at EU level", carried out by the European Institute of Public Administration (EIPA) together with a consortium