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Au cours de la dernière décennie, l'évolution de la législation européenne, combinée à une mobilité croissante des citoyens européens, a créé un besoin manifeste de formation continue des professionnels de la justice au niveau européen. Cette formation est assurée par plusieurs structures européennes, mises en place avec le concours des États membres, et un certain nombre d'organisations professionnelles, souvent soutenues par des fonds européens.

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Selon leur profession et leurs besoins particuliers, les praticiens du droit peuvent introduire une demande de formation auprès de l'une ou l'autre des structures brièvement présentées sur cette page. Par ailleurs, de nombreux cours sont proposés par des universités et des prestataires de formation privés.

Pour les magistrats

Le Réseau européen de formation judiciaire (REFJ)

Fondé en 2000, le [REFJ](#) définit des normes et programmes de formation, coordonne les échanges et programmes de formation judiciaires et stimule la coopération entre les structures nationales de formation des magistrats. Son secrétariat général est installé à Bruxelles (Belgique). Les activités du REFJ sont brièvement présentées [ici](#).

Pour tous les professionnels de la justice

L'Académie de droit européen (ERA)

L'[ERA](#) organise des conférences, des séminaires, des sessions de formation professionnelle et des débats dans différents domaines du droit de l'Union, destinés à tous les praticiens du droit. Elle est située à Trèves (Allemagne). Ses activités sont brièvement présentées [ici](#).

L'Institut européen d'administration publique - Le Centre européen de la magistrature et des professions juridiques (IEAP)

La formation en droit de l'Union européenne figure parmi les domaines d'activité de l'[IEAP](#). Cette formation s'adresse aux juges, aux professionnels de la justice, aux fonctionnaires nationaux et européens, et aux juristes du secteur privé. L'IEAP est implanté à Maastricht (Pays-Bas), au Luxembourg et à Barcelone (Espagne). Ses activités sont brièvement présentées [ici](#).

Organisations professionnelles offrant des activités de formation au niveau européen

Les organisations suivantes représentant les professionnels de la justice au niveau européen organisent des activités de formation ponctuelles.

Avocats

Le Conseil des barreaux européens - [CCBE](#)

Notaires

Le Conseil des notariats de l'Union européenne - [CNUE](#)

Huissiers de justice

L'Union internationale des huissiers de justice - [UIHJ](#)

Juges

La Fédération européenne des juges administratifs - [AEAJ](#)

Réseaux judiciaires européens coopérant avec le REFJ en matière de formation judiciaire européenne

Le REFJ rassemble tous les organes nationaux de formation judiciaire des États membres de l'UE et est, à ce titre, l'organisme légitime et le mieux placé pour coordonner et développer la formation judiciaire. Il coopère avec d'autres réseaux judiciaires au niveau de l'UE, dont les objectifs et intérêts en matière de formation sont présentés dans les fiches pratiques qui suivent:

Le Réseau européen des Conseils de la Justice ([RECJ](#) [PDF](#) (166 Kb) [en](#))

Le Réseau [PDF](#) (146 KB) [en](#) des présidents des Cours suprêmes judiciaires de l'Union européenne

L'Association des Conseils d'État et des Juridictions administratives suprêmes de l'Union européenne ([ACA-Europe](#) [PDF](#) (168 Kb) [en](#))

Le Réseau judiciaire européen ([RJE](#) [PDF](#) (159 Kb) [en](#))

Le Réseau européen judiciaire en matière civile et commerciale ([RJE-civil](#) [PDF](#) (149 Kb) [en](#))

L'Association européenne des juges administratifs ([AEAJ](#) [PDF](#) (152 Kb) [en](#))

L'Association des juges du droit européen de la concurrence ([AECLJ](#) [PDF](#) (151 Kb) [en](#))

Le Groupement Européen des Magistrats pour la Médiation ([GEMME](#) [PDF](#) (148 Kb) [en](#))

L'Association européenne des juges des tribunaux du travail ([EALCJ](#) [PDF](#) (154 Kb) [en](#))

L'Association internationale des juges du droit des réfugiés ([IARLJ](#) [PDF](#) (156 Kb) [en](#))

Le Forum de l'Union européenne des juges pour l'environnement ([EUFJE](#) [PDF](#) (153 Kb) [en](#))

Le Réseau des procureurs européens pour l'environnement ([ENPE](#) [PDF](#) (148 Kb) [en](#))

Le rapport du projet 2013-2014 relatif à la promotion de la coopération entre le REFJ et les réseaux ci-dessus mentionnés est disponible [ici](#).

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Academy of european law (ERA)

ERA's objective is to promote the understanding and best practice of EU law by providing legal practitioners from across Europe with training and a forum for discussion and exchange.

Target groups

ERA works with all practitioners of law:

Judges, prosecutors and court staff

Lawyers in private practice, notaries and in-house counsel

Law enforcement officers and lawyers in public administration.

Types of training activities developed

ERA offers conferences and courses at different levels at its centre in Trier (near the EU's judicial capital in Luxembourg), around Europe and online:

Annual **conferences** to review and debate the latest developments

Seminars focused on a specific developments for practitioners to explore in detail

Basic training courses as an introduction to a specific area of EU law

Legal language courses.

These events take place face-to-face, online or in a hybrid format.

ERA also provides:

e-Learning courses and resources

e-Presentations featuring top experts on EU law

A quarterly **legal journal** called *ERA Forum*.

ERA's training programmes cover the full range of EU law:

European public law, e.g. institutional law, fundamental rights, asylum and immigration, environmental law, taxation

European private law, e.g. consumer protection, labour and social law, private international law, judicial co-operation in civil matters

European business law, e.g. competition law, public procurement, intellectual property rights, company law, banking and financial regulation

European criminal law, e.g. judicial cooperation in criminal matters, police cooperation, cybercrime, defence and victims' rights.

Activities 2021

In 2021 ERA organised **209 training events** attended by **9010 legal practitioners from 86 countries and territories**. It also offered **a catalogue of 630 e-presentations** and numerous e-learning courses and online tools.

The participants **professional backgrounds** were:

Judges: 12%

Prosecutors: 10%

Court staff: 12%

Lawyers in private practice: 17%

In-house counsel: 4%

Law enforcement officers: 5%

EU officials: 10%

Ministry officials: 6%

Other civil servants: 7%

Academics: 6%

Foundation/NGO representatives: 3%

Other: 7%

(Total does not amount to 100% due to rounding)

International partnerships/agreements

A founding member of the [European Judicial Training Network \(EJTN\)](#), ERA was re-elected in 2022 as a member of the EJTN Steering Committee and Convenor of the Network's Working Group on Programmes. It also has strong relationships with national judicial training institutions, with several of which it has framework agreements for the joint organisation of training activities for judges and prosecutors.

ERA also partners regularly with the [Council of the Bars and Law Societies of Europe \(CCBE\)](#), European lawyers' association such the European Criminal Bar Association, the European Employment Lawyers' Association and the European Young Bar Association, as well as with over 20 national Bars across Europe.

History

ERA was established in 1992 on the initiative of the European Parliament. The founding patrons were the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, the *Land of Rhineland-Palatinate*, the City of Trier and the Friends of ERA Association. In the intervening years, all EU Member States have joined the foundation.

View a film about the origins of ERA here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DpNLUgYYAmU>

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Related link

[ERA's website](#)

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European institute of public administration (EIPA)

The European Institute of Public Administration – EIPA Luxembourg: Training on European Union law is one of EIPA's core areas of activity. Training activities are tailored for judges, prosecutors, lawyers, public notaries and other legal practitioners, officials of the European Union and members of the national public administrations. EIPA has centres in Maastricht (Netherlands) and Luxembourg. You can find a summary of its activities here.

Types of training activities developed

The European Institute of Public Administration (EIPA) is one of the few European-level providers of training to the judiciary and other legal professions. The majority of these training activities are developed and delivered by the Luxembourg antenna of EIPA, whereas EIPA Maastricht focuses on trainings related to effectiveness of public administration, management of public funding and, **policy making and EU governance**.

In addition to open enrolment training and conference activities, EIPA provides a variety of **tailor made and practice-oriented** training, consultancy and coaching services as well as comparative research related to EU law and judicial training in the EU Member States and countries associated with the EU (candidate countries, EFTA countries, etc.). These services are delivered under various tenders, service contracts and action grants awarded by the EU Institutions or through bilateral contracts with the national administrations.

Within the category of  **open enrolment activities**, EIPA offers the following types of activities:

practice-oriented **workshops** of varying duration

adult **life-long educational programmes**, such as Master programmes and Master-level classes (both face-to-face and blended on-line learning programmes); the offer provides programmes lasting from one week to two years

individually selected **e-learning tutorials** on access to documents, internal market issues (such as free movement of people, public procurement, etc.), environmental law and judicial co-operation issues

conferences on recent developments in various legal areas, such as EU environmental and financial services law, judicial co-operation issues, EU civil service law and recent trends of the jurisprudence of the Court of Justice

An overview of EIPA's current open enrolment activities can be accessed  [here](#).

Within the category of **contract activities**, EIPA specialises in the following types of activities **tailor-made** in consultation with the clients to meet their specific needs:

workshops **combining problem-based learning and coaching** sessions

study visits, either stand-alone or combined with training sessions on selected topics

tailor-made **blended learning** activities

initial training modules for judges, prosecutors and non-judge court staff of varying duration

training of trainers workshops, including development of training materials and manuals

Contact EIPA directly for a tailor-made offer via  [this link](#).

Topically, the EU law related training activities of EIPA cover EU (and EEA) institutional law, with specific focus on :

the procedures of and how to litigate before the EU and EFTA Courts

European administrative law and EU fundamental rights

European regulatory affairs, such as environmental, consumer protection, food safety, labour and social law

all areas of the EU Internal Market, including financial services, public procurement, competition law and state aid

Regulatory issues related to data protection, data governance and artificial intelligence

The EU Area of Freedom Security and justice

EU borders policy, immigration and asylum

European and international judicial cooperation in family, commercial and other civil matters

European and international judicial and law enforcement cooperation in criminal matters

EIPA Luxembourg also specialises in training and coaching activities aiming to **strengthen the independence of the judiciary and to enhance the administration and quality of justice** by identifying and sharing knowledge and practical experience in areas such as:

introduction of quality management in the justice sector

management of judicial institutions (courts, public prosecutor offices, judicial training institutions)

judicial training needs analysis and the evaluation of both the quality and effects of judicial training, etc.)

ethics and anti-corruption

public relations and communication policies and skills

introduction and use of e-justice tools


Current activities

On average, EIPA implements around 600 - 700 training activities.

In 2021, more than 12.000 participants from across Europe and beyond attended EIPA's activities, resulting in a total of 15.000 days of training/coaching and consulting delivered.

The majority of participants come from the EU and the Member States, with a substantial share of participants attributable to the EU institutions, bodies and agencies.

International partnerships/agreements

EIPA is part of the European Public Administration Network ( [EUPAN](#)).

EIPA has entered bilateral cooperation agreements with national judicial training institutions in a number of EU Member States and EU accession and candidate countries.

Through the years EIPA has worked, and continues to work, on a project-by-project basis with the national judicial training institutions throughout Europe as well as with European-level associations for various legal professions, e.g. the European Judicial Training Network, the Council of the Notaries of the European Union (CNUe), the European Chamber of Bailiffs (CEHJ) and the Council of the Bars and Law Societies of Europe (CCBE).

History

EIPA was founded in 1981 as a **non-profit foundation** providing targeted training on European Integration issues. Its aim was to address the needs of the public authorities (including the Judiciary) of the European Union's Member States and the European Institutions. Today, 22 EU Member States + Norway are members of EIPA.

In 1992, EIPA established its first antenna, the then **European Centre for Judges and Lawyers**, in Luxembourg, with the specific objective of providing training for the Judiciary and public as well as private practicing lawyers on the interpretation and application of Community –now, EU law.

Since 2012, EIPA's European Centre for Judges and Lawyers follows a targeted topical approach towards its main target groups: the judiciary, including non-magistrate staff, as well as the other legal professions. The Centres activities focus on the provision of **tailored and practice oriented** training programmes including consultancy and coaching. The aim is to disseminate knowledge, practical know-how and good practices as well as contributing to the mutual trust in cross-border cooperation of EU Member States confidence building.

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European judicial training network (EJTN)

The  European Judicial Training Network (EJTN) is the principal platform and promoter for the training and exchange of knowledge of the European judiciary.

Its members are the national judicial training institutions from all EU members states and the Academy of European Law (ERA).

Its vision is to foster mutual trust between judiciary professionals from all EU member states and to contribute to creating a common legal and judicial European culture.

EJTN provides networking opportunities for its members, observers, and partners by offering tailored training to all 400.000 judges, prosecutors, court staff, and judicial trainers in the EU. The EJTN cooperates with all other major EU-level judicial networks.

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