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Redes e estruturas europeias de formação

A evolução da legislação europeia e uma maior mobilidade dos cidadãos europeus fizeram com que surgisse, na última década, a clara necessidade de formação contínua dos profissionais da justiça a nível europeu. Essa formação é ministrada pelas diversas estruturas europeias criadas com o apoio dos Estados-Membros e várias organizações profissionais, muitas vezes apoiadas por fundos europeus.

Redes de formação e estruturas a nível europeu

Organizações profissionais que organizam ações de formação a nível europeu

Redes judiciárias a nível da UE que cooperam com a REFJ em matéria de formação judiciária europeia

Redes e estruturas de formação a nível europeu

Dependendo da profissão que exercem e das necessidades específicas, os profissionais da justiça podem candidatar-se a qualquer das estruturas aqui resumidamente apresentadas. Além disso, são oferecidos diversos cursos por universidades e instituições de formação privadas.

Para juízes e procuradores

Rede Europeia de Formação Judiciária (REFJ)

Fundada em 2000, a REFJ desenvolve normas de formação e currículos, coordena o intercâmbio de ações de formação e programas de formação judiciária e promove a cooperação entre as estruturas nacionais de formação para juízes e procuradores. O Secretariado-Geral da REFJ está sediado em Bruxelas (Bélgica). Pode consultar [aqui](#) um resumo das atividades da Rede Europeia de Formação Judiciária.

Para todos os profissionais da justiça

Academia de Direito Europeu (ERA)

A ERA organiza conferências, seminários, cursos de formação profissional e debates de estratégia política em diversos domínios do direito europeu, destinados a todos os profissionais da justiça. A ERA está situada em Trier (Alemanha). Pode consultar [aqui](#) um resumo das suas atividades.

Instituto Europeu da Administração Pública – Centro Europeu da Magistratura e das Profissões Jurídicas (EIPA)

A formação na área do direito da União Europeia é um dos domínios de atividade do EIPA. A formação é destinada a juízes, profissionais da justiça, funcionários nacionais e da UE e a advogados do setor privado. O EIPA tem instalações em Maastricht (Países Baixos), Luxemburgo, Barcelona (Espanha) e Varsóvia (Polónia). Pode consultar [aqui](#) um resumo das suas atividades.

Organizações profissionais que organizam ações de formação a nível europeu

As seguintes organizações, que representam profissionais da justiça a nível europeu, organizam pontualmente ações de formação.

Advogados e solicitadores

Conselho das Ordens e Sociedades de Advogados da União Europeia - [CCBE](#)

Notários

Conselho dos Notariados da União Europeia - [CNUe](#)

Oficiais de Justiça

União Internacional de Oficiais de Justiça - [UIHJ](#)

Redes judiciárias a nível da UE que cooperam com a REFJ em matéria de formação judiciária europeia

A REFJ reúne todos os organismos nacionais de formação judiciária dos Estados-Membros da UE e, dessa forma, é a entidade mais bem colocada para coordenar e desenvolver a formação neste domínio. Cooperar com as outras redes judiciárias à escala da UE, cujos objetivos e interesses em matéria de formação são apresentados nos seguintes fichas informativas:

Rede Europeia dos Conselhos de Justiça ([ENCJ](#) [PDF](#) (166 Kb) [en](#))

[Rede](#) [PDF](#) (146 Kb) [en](#) dos Presidentes dos Supremos Tribunais de Justiça da União Europeia

Associação dos Conselhos de Estado e das Jurisdições Administrativas Supremas da União Europeia ([ACA-Europe](#) [PDF](#) (168 Kb) [en](#))

Rede Judiciária Europeia ([RJE](#) [PDF](#) (159 Kb) [en](#))

Rede Judiciária Europeia em Matéria Civil e Comercial ([RJE-Civil](#) [PDF](#) (149 Kb) [en](#))

Associação Europeia de Juízes Administrativos ([AEAJ](#) [PDF](#) (152 Kb) [en](#))

Associação de Juízes de Direito Europeu da Concorrência ([AECLJ](#) [PDF](#) (151 Kb) [en](#))

Associação Europeia de Juízes de Mediação ([GEMME](#) [PDF](#) (148 Kb) [en](#))

Associação Europeia de Juízes do Trabalho ([EALCJ](#) [PDF](#) (154 Kb) [en](#))

Associação Internacional de Juízes Especializados em Direito dos Refugiados ([IARLJ](#) [PDF](#) (156 Kb) [en](#))

Fórum da União Europeia de Juízes em matéria de Ambiente ([EUFJE](#) [PDF](#) (153 Kb) [en](#))

Rede Europeia de Procuradores em matéria de Ambiente ([ENPE](#) [PDF](#) (148 Kb) [en](#))

O relatório sobre o projeto de 2013-2014 para promover a cooperação entre a REFJ e as supramencionadas redes pode ser consultado [aqui](#).

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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 (CNUJ), 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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