## PROJECTS AND PROGRAMMES

EJTN has a wide array of projects and programmes to benefit Europe's judges, prosecutors and judicial trainers at all stages of their careers, from initial training requirements to continuous training needs.

### **Exchange Programme**

EJTN's flagship activity, the Exchange Programme, is open to judges, prosecutors and judicial trainers from across Europe. It offers shortterm exchanges as well as study visits and long-term exchanges to EU institutions along with the courts, prosecution offices and judicial training institutions of EU Member States.

#### **AIAKOS**

The AIAKOS programme is designed for future and newly-appointed judges and prosecutors, giving them an opportunity to learn about other European judicial systems, training curricula and judicial cooperation instruments as well as to foster professional links for their future careers.

#### Catalogue

EJTN offers its Catalogue of training activities, which are organised by EJTN's Members. Over 200 judicial training activities, across an array of fields, are open each year to Europe's judiciary.

### Catalogue+

EJTN's Catalogue+ programme upgrades existing training courses of EJTN's Members and finances international participation in these and their interpretation. The courses are available for Europe's judiciary, and cover various fields of law, including fundamental rights, criminal law and civil law.

### Criminal Justice programme

In order to tackle the increasing number of complex cases with a transnational dimension. EJTN's Criminal Justice programme offers Europe's judiciary tailored training seminars within the field. The seminars adopt a 'learn-by-doing' approach in order to ensure practical and lively sessions.

#### Civil Law

The Civil Law activities aim to strengthen EU justice professionals by offering seminars in civil judicial cooperation and in a vast scope of civil law subjects (such as family law, company law, IP law, tort law, property law, commercial law and contract law).

#### Administrative Law

Administrative Law designs and implements high-quality training for the EU judiciary in an array of areas including EU Asylum Law, European Human Rights, EU Tax Law and EU Environmental Law.

### **Linquistic Programme**

The EJTN Linguistic Programme is designed for the training of the EU judiciary in legal English and French across different fields of law. This training adopts an interactive, small-group methodology and features the participation of tutors, a linguistic expert and a legal expert.

#### **THEMIS**

The highly-acclaimed THEMIS competition, open to future EU magistrates undergoing entry-level training, is an event for debating topics, sharing common values, exchanging new experiences, discussing new perspectives and practicing judicial skills.

### **Judicial Training Methods activities**

The Judicial Training Methods activities aim to enhance the sharing of good judicial training practices among justice professionals and to establish new approaches for the delivery of training and knowledge to EU judges and prosecutors.

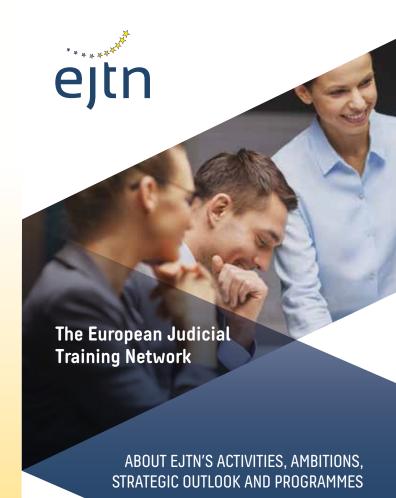
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EJTN, a non-profit international organisation, is the principal platform and promoter for the development, training and exchange of knowledge and competence of the EU judges and prosecutors

## **ABOUT EJTN**

The European Judicial Training Network (EJTN) brings together judicial training institutions from all European Union (EU) Member States and supports the interests of over 120,000 European judges, prosecutors and judicial trainers across Europe.

The aim of EJTN is to help foster a European area of justice and to promote mutual recognition and trust between judicial systems and practitioners.



# **ACTIVITIES INCLUDE...**

- Coordinating the highly-acclaimed judicial exchange programme and study visits to European judicial bodies
- Performing a wide array of respected judicial training seminars and workshops
- Facilitating the participation of judges and prosecutors of one state in other states' training programmes
- Facilitating new judicial training opportunities, best practices, methods and tools
- · Producing authoritative judicial training standards and curricula
- Promoting cooperation and the exchange of information between EJTN and its Members, Observes and Partners
- Advocating EU judicial training issues

## **GOVERNANCE AND OPERATION**

EJTN's governance and operations, designed to promote internal democracy and stimulate cooperation, is overseen by several bodies:

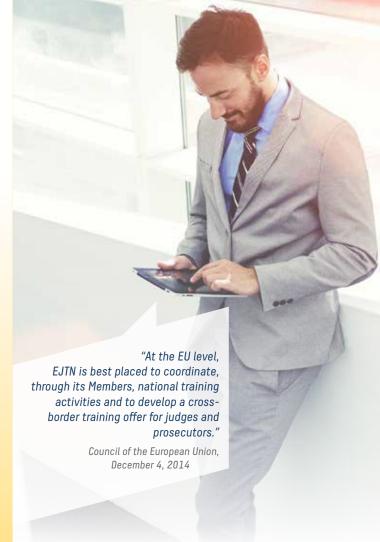
- The General Assembly comprises representatives from all Member institutions, and meets annually
- The Steering Committee comprises 9 elected Members and meets five times annually
- The Secretary General, a seconded judge or prosecutor, directs daily operations with the support of the permanent Secretariat, based in Brussels
- The Working Groups (WG) and Sub Working-Groups (Sub-WG) plan and implement programmes within their fields
- EJTN works with 35 Member institutions from the 28 EU Member States as well as numerous Observer and Partner institutions



## **AMBITIONS**

- In 2017, over 5,250 judges, prosecutors and judicial trainers will attend EJTN's various international training events
- In 2017, some 2,500 participants will benefit from EJTN's judicial exchanges and study visits
- Since 2006, EJTN has offered over 140,000 individual training days
- EJTN's fundamental importance within the sphere of European judicial training continue to be recognised by the Council of the European Union\*

\* Council conclusions "Training of legal practitioners: an essential tool to consolidate the EU acquis" (2014/C443/04)



# STRATEGIC OUTLOOK

EJTN is poised to continue its tradition of growth and success through a strategy focussing on:

- Fostering mutual trust between the European judiciary
- · Enhancing knowledge of EU law
- Enriching the quality of EU judicial training
- Developing young judges' and prosecutors' European profiles
- · Furthering judicial networking
- Promoting judicial cooperation
- Supporting judicial independence