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European seminar on the right of the public to be informed by judges and / or prosecutors

« JUST FREE – Justice and Freedom of Expression »

9-10 November 2021

Place : ENM Paris

From 9th to 10th of November, the Ecole Nationale de la Magistrature is organising a seminar on « **the right of the public to be informed by judges and / or prosecutors** » in the European Union in partnership with judicial training institutions from Belgium (IGO-IFJ), Spain (CGPJ-EJ), Italy (SSM), Poland (KSSIP) and the EFB Paris.

In a democratic society, justice responses must be well understood by the citizens. Such a requirement of communication comes up against the secrecy imposed by other imperatives: dignity, privacy, presumption of innocence, or even the effectiveness of investigations and the objective impartiality of magistrates.

It is therefore necessary for legal professionals to be familiar with techniques allowing them to communicate effectively and professionally, for the attention of an audience that does not have the same references, codes and legal knowledge.

The main objective of this seminar will be to allow participants to understand the constraints and working methods of journalists, to learn to anticipate their communication and to have first-hand knowledge of press relations tools by practicing.

This seminar with a European dimension will be a forum for discussing the solutions and balances found in different European countries to respond to this imperative of fair communication.

This seminar will alternate between round tables with journalists and group sessions under the leadership of communication professionals from various European countries, followed by plenary sessions drawing lessons to be learned from this work.

Also, an application will allow participants to interact with each other and have access to documentation. Videos on how to conduct a press conference and a written guide on how to write a press release will be made available to them.

Training Objectives : This seminar will allow participants to master communication techniques and compare practices between different European countries.

Remote Format: This seminar will alternate between theoretical sessions and practical workshops. Participants will receive access to the application with all the documentation before the seminar. They will be able to start discussing on the forum.

Useful Information

When : 9-10 November 2021

Where: École Nationale de la Magistrature, 3ter Quai aux fleurs, 75004 Paris

Languages : English and French

Participants : approximately 50 judges and prosecutors

Draft Programme

- November 9, 2021 - 9am-12pm : Constraints and working methods of journalists
- November 9, 2021 - 2am-5pm : How to write a press release
- November 10, 2021 - 9am-12pm : How to communicate on social networks
- November 10, 2021 - 2am-5pm : How to prepare and hold a press conference

Project Partners:

- French National School for the Judiciary – ENM (France)
- National School of Judiciary and Public Prosecution– KSSIP (POLAND)
- Judicial Training Institute –IFJ/IGO (Belgium)
- Judicial School of the General Council of the Judiciary– ES-CGPJ (SPAIN)
- Superior School for the Judiciary – SSM (Italy)
- Bar Professional Training School of Paris (EFB Paris)
- Council of Europe
- European Judicial Training Network

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