

Dear friends,

Against the background of the current sanitary crisis, the ERA Team has carefully selected some materials/resources which could be of immediate relevance for your trainers and/or your judges and prosecutors. They are ordered below by legal topics:

(a) Judicial cooperation in civil matters

On the **EU Civil Justice instruments** you will find training packages consisting of [multilingual case studies](#) (incl. case scenario, suggested solution, and some methodological advice for using the cases) and a [library](#). These resources, which were developed in 2015, cover the following topics: “Cross-border civil litigation”, “European cross-border procedures” and “Conflict of laws”.

Similarly in the area of **Family and Succession law**, comprehensive case studies were drafted in 2017 on “Cross-border divorce and maintenance (Brussels IIa and Maintenance Regulation)”, “Parental responsibility in a cross-border context, including child abduction (Brussels IIa)” and “Cross-border succession”. These case studies are available [here](#) and are also complemented by a [library](#) in 12 languages.

On **cross-border mediation** - both family mediation and civil/commercial mediation - several [materials](#) were developed in 2018 and remain at your disposal: case studies, linguistic manuals, speakers’ presentations, background documentation.

Although they would need to be partly updated by your trainers in case they wish to make use of them, the multilingual training modules on [the European legislative instruments for cross-border cooperation in civil matters](#) - which were conceived in 2014 - can still be of benefit.

Last, but not least, a basic interactive [online tool on Legal English for Judicial Cooperation in Civil Matters](#) of 2016 can be used.

If you need more information, please liaise with Anastasia Patta (apatta@era.int) and Angelika Fuchs (afuchs@era.int).

(b) Judicial cooperation in criminal matters

We recommend to look at the online resources on the following very topical themes and EU instruments:

- the **European Investigation Order** ([audio, video podcasts and PowerPoint presentations](#)) and a comprehensive [library](#))

- in the area of **procedural rights of suspected or accused persons in criminal proceedings**, we have recently launched a new project. A comprehensive library on this topic is available [here](#). More resources will be added in the coming months.
- on the **EPPO** (a [short introduction video](#) and [video podcasts in English and German, and PowerPoint presentations](#), as well as a [library](#))

If you need more information, please liaise with Cornelia Riehle (criehle@era.int).

(c) Competition law and State aid law

In the area of anti-trust law, various resources have been developed specifically for judges/prosecutors as well as trainers.

Basic yet comprehensive materials on Articles 101 and 102 TFEU, the Damages Directive and its transposition into the domestic legal systems of the Member States, and on **EU State aid rules** can be found [here](#) in the form of multilingual PowerPoint presentations and background documentation as well as video-podcasts in English, French and German.

Further e-presentations produced in 2018 in English and German can be found regarding **antitrust enforcement in digital markets** [in the framework of Art 101](#) and [102 TFEU and merger control](#).

In addition, you will find [e-presentations](#) delivered by economists and academics aiming at providing national judges with a good understanding of **basic economic concepts in EU competition law** and with the tools to assess economic evidence and to quantify the harm caused by infringement of competition rules.

Last but not least, a basic e-learning course on **the changing role of the national judge in EU State aid cases** is available in [English](#), [French](#) and [German](#).

If you need more information, please liaise with Avgustina Dorich (adorich@era.int).

(d) Equality Law

Under this heading ERA has developed a large bunch of up-to-date resources, in particular multilingual background documentations, speakers' contributions and e-presentations which are tailor-made for the judiciary. These resources cover the following three areas:

- the [EU Law on Equality between Women and Men](#)

- the [EU Anti-Discrimination Law](#) (also an e-[learning course](#) which is available in English, French and German)

If you need more information, please liaise with Leyre Maiso (lmaiso@era.int) and Daniel Gärtner (dgaertner@era.int).

- the **UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities** ([e-presentations](#) [at the bottom of the page], [speakers' contributions and a library](#), as well as an [introductory e-learning course](#))

If you need more information, please liaise with Sanja Jovicic (sjovicic@era.int).

(e) Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU

Comprehensive information about the scope and interpretation of the EU Charter, as well as its relationship with other legal instruments protecting fundamental rights in Europe are gathered in this comprehensive [library](#).

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(f) Environmental Law

Training modules (including blended and stand-alone e-learning courses) are available [here](#) on all major topics of EU environmental law, such as waste law, water law, access to justice, EIA, nature protection, wildlife trafficking, air quality and noise legislation. These resources have been developed specifically for the judiciary (both judicial trainers and end-users).

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Please note that the above-listed materials originate from the “Resources and Projects” Section of the ERA website www.era.int. This section is being constantly updated and offers far more than the above list. Feel free to consult it regularly - even after the crisis - and make use of what you need.

The ERA Team
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