

LONG-TERM TRAINING PERIODS AT THE COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION (CJEU) – 2026/2027

Before applying, candidates are strongly advised to carefully review the long-term training General Conditions (attached to the call for applications) as well as the EJTN financial policy, which provide detailed information about the EJTN long-term training scheme.

1. Presentation

A total of 15 long-term training periods will be implemented at the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU) in Luxembourg.

EJTN trainees will be assigned either to the Cabinet of a Member of the Court of Justice or the General Court. Their tasks will depend on the Cabinet's needs and primarily involve supporting the designated Judge Rapporteur or Advocate General in processing cases and drafting decisions. Trainees will not participate in deliberations.

Alternatively, candidates may apply for a placement at the Directorate for Research and Documentation (DRD). Trainees selected for the DRD will focus on judicial research and case analysis in support of the Court's work.

2. Length and available positions

- Number of positions: 15
- Duration: 6 or 12 months
- Training period: from Tuesday, 1 September 2026 to Friday, 26 February 2027 (6 months) or Tuesday, 31 August 2027 (12 months)

3. Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for a long-term training period at the CJEU, candidates must:

- be a judge or a prosecutor from an EU Member State;
- have at least one year of professional experience as a judge or prosecutor;
- be familiar with EU law;
- have a proven adequate knowledge of French to be able to provide support to the Cabinet members or the DRD in processing files and drafting decisions;
- have a good command of another EU language.

Candidates are requested to clearly indicate in their cover letter whether they are applying for a placement in a Cabinet at the Court of Justice, the General Court, or in the DRD.

4. Supporting documentation

Participants are required to provide the following supporting documents (PDF format is recommended):

- 1) a curriculum vitae in Europass format, in French or in English;
- 2) a cover letter, in French or in English (to be included in the online application form);
- 3) a proof of proficiency in French (e.g., course certificate, legal publication, etc.);
- 4) the authorisation from their hierarchy to participate in a long-term traineeship (if not available by the deadline, it must be provided later);
- 5) (Optional) a sworn statement certifying that the applicant is not subject to any criminal or disciplinary proceedings (templates provided).

5. Calendar

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| 1 September 2025 – 15 October 2025 | Application period |
| December 2025 – March 2026 | Selection of applications by CJEU |
| March – April 2026 | Notification of selected participants by EJTN |
| April – September 2026 | Preparation of selected candidates in view of their training period |
| 1 September 2026 | Start of the training period |

6. Financial policy

Participants will receive a daily allowance of €120 for the entire duration of the training period.

For more detailed information, candidates must consult the EJTN financial policy applicable to long-term training periods (attached to the call for applications).

7. Deadline

Candidates from all EU Member States participating in the Justice Programme of the European Union and with strong motivation are invited to submit their applications by 15 October 2025, 18:00 (Brussels time).