



Legal Regulation of Intra-EU Investment Protection

Online train-the-trainers event for judges and court staff

5, 6, 7 and 14 June 2023

This project, funded by the European Commission Directorate-General for Financial Stability, Financial Services and Capital Markets Union (FISMA), will train justice professionals on the **legal background of intra-EU investment protection**. The training project will be implemented by the **Academy of European Law (ERA)** in cooperation with the **Bulgarian National Institute of Justice**, the **Dutch Training and Study Centre for the Judiciary (SSR)**, the **National Office for the Judiciary of Hungary**, and the **Romanian National Institute of Magistracy**.

The training project includes an introductory e-learning course on intra-EU investment protection and the CJEU preliminary reference procedure, a 4-morning online course for trainers (train-the-trainers seminar), and a 1.5-day online pilot end-user seminar with selected judges.

The general objective is to raise awareness among judges about the EU legal framework in the field of cross-border investment protection between EU Member States. Focus lies on the freedoms and principles protecting intra-EU investment, including free movement of capital, freedom of establishment, expropriation, protection of legitimate expectations as well as the preliminary reference procedure.



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The project will include an online training module and related material for judges and other professionals working in the justice system on cross-border investment protection between EU Member States. At the end of the training the participants will be able to:

- answer how they can best access and understand relevant intra-EU investment protection rules;
- reflect on practices they can adopt in their particular jurisdiction and in accordance with the relevant rules, to ensure the ethical standards of the profession are maintained;
- identify the problems that may arise in the interpretation of specific provisions in the light of hypothetical and actual cases and other considerations.

Key topics

- Freedoms and principles protecting intra-EU investment
- Free movement of capital
- Freedom of establishment
- Expropriation
- Protection of legitimate expectations
- Enforcement of investors' rights and effective judicial protection for investor rights under EU law
- Preliminary reference procedure
- Training methodology
- Setting learning objectives and evaluating training courses

The goal is to train **at least one judge or court staff from each Member State** to become experts and possible future national trainers on intra-EU investment law.

When does the training take place?

The format of the training will be online. We will use the Zoom platform. The link will be sent to the nominated participants in advance.

The training takes 4 half-days (from 09:00-13:00 CEST) on

5, 6, 7 and 14 June 2023

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The training also includes a short preparatory e-learning course that can be completed in May 2023.

Who should apply for the training?

Judges and legal court staff dealing with cross border investment protection, such as administrative, constitutional and relevant civil matters can apply for the training.

It is considered to be an advantage if the applicants

- regularly deal with cross-border cases
- already have experience with investment protection on national or EU level
- already have experience as a lecturer

How to apply?

Please contact the national judicial training institution for further information about the application procedure. The detailed programme and documentation will be sent to the chosen participants by **12 April 2023**.

At the end of this training the participant will get a document from ERA **certifying the successful completion of the course**.

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