

AIKOS PROGRAMME

SPAIN – CENTER FOR LEGAL STUDIES AND JUDICIAL SCHOOL



Description and objectives of the AIKOS Programme

The EJTN AIKOS Programme is addressed specifically to future and early-career judges, giving them the opportunity to learn about other judicial systems and training curricula, enhance their knowledge of EU law and judicial cooperation instruments as well as meet with their counterparts and develop useful contacts for their future professional life.

The AIKOS Programme's objectives are:

- To bring together future or newly appointed judges from different EU Member States;
- To foster mutual understanding of different European judicial cultures and systems;
- To raise awareness of the European dimension of their (future) work.

Specificity of the host institutions

In Spain, two different institutions are in charge of the future judiciary: the Center for Legal Studies (CEJ) for trainee prosecutors and the Judicial School for trainee judges.



CENTER FOR LEGAL STUDIES

The Centre for Legal Studies (CEJ) in Madrid provides initial and continuous training to Public Prosecutors, State lawyers, Court Counsellors and Forensic doctors, as well as the last part of the specialisation in Judicial Police programme for the members of the Police Forces. It is thus the training institution for the whole judicial administration in Spain, except for Judges, which are trained in the Judicial School in Barcelona.

The CEJ headquarters in the Capital of Spain give easy access to the main Institutions and Courts, used to collaborating with the Center in the training of the different types of judicial workers.

Key points for the host institution's programme

- To show the main specificities of the Spanish Judicial system.
- To access the working system of our main judicial institutions.
- To provide a practical approach to their theoretical training regarding EU Law.
- To share expectations, knowledge and concerns about their future work with their counterparts.

Content of the host institution's programme

- EU Law in a practical way: EU instruments in practice, European Jurisprudence of the main Tribunals such as the ECtHR and European Court of Justice.



- The Spanish judicial system. Special attention to the Jury.
- Visits to different institutions such as the Supreme Court, the General Public Prosecutor's office, Judicial Police office, attending Spanish trials, visiting a prison...

Additional information

Different methodological approaches will be used: seminar type classes, workshops, role playing and study visits.



JUDICIAL SCHOOL

Key points for the host institution's programme

- Share with the participants the main aspects of the Spanish judicial system.
- Promote the cooperation in criminal and civil matters among the EU Member States through the members of the Judiciary (trainees).
- Trainee judges will be able to attend several hearings and share experiences with national judges and prosecutors.
- Trainee judges will be able to know the functioning of the Spanish School of the Judiciary and spend time with national trainees.

Content of the host institution's programme

- National judicial system.
- International cooperation in criminal matters.
- Internacional cooperation in civil matters.
- The protection of the victim in the Spanish system.
 - Practical aspects of the standing of the victim.
 - Crime victims assistance offices.
- Exchange of views with civil Judges – Hearings.
- Exchange of views with criminal Judges – Investigation process and hearings.
- Social event.

Additional information

The trainees will spend three days at the Spanish School of the Judiciary, situated in a privileged area on the top of the "Tibidabo" mountain (area of Barcelona). During these days, several seminars will be organised.

For the remaining two days of the Exchange, the trainees will attend several hearings both civil and criminal matters (Courts of Barcelona).

