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**DINNER @ AYS VINORUM**

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Since October 2009, fifty universities have been working together under the financial support of the European Commission to develop a common policy discourse on legal education and judicial training.

By devoting three years of joint working among fifty partners in Europe, this project aims to assess the key gaps in legal and judicial education in all European countries at all stages of education: from undergraduate to graduate and PhD programs in universities to vocational training of lawyers and judges.

**Menu for Justice, Academic Network on Judicial Studies** is the first European project that takes seriously the issue of how the new generation of Europeans should be trained in law and legal matters and how experts in law and the judicial process can develop new skills and competences to effectively face the challenges of a common judicial space.

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**24 and 25 November 2011**

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## Plenary session Menu for Justice Academic Network on Judicial Studies Gaps, barriers and innovations in legal education and judicial training

### Opening speech:

*Dudarec Wolkers*, Rector of the Université libre de Bruxelles, ULB  
*Jean-Michel De Waele*, Dean of the Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, ULB  
*Marianne Depra*, Director of the Institute for European Studies, ULB

### External Participants in Roundtable Sessions:

*Peter Hock*, Assistant professor, Transparency International, Hungary  
*Jan T. Johansen*, professor University of Oslo, member of the SATURN working group (CEPEJ)  
*Françoise Poyshars*, administrative judge, Switzerland, (CEPEJ)  
*Edith Van den Broeck*, Director of the Institute for Judicial Training, Belgium

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# Programme of the plenary session 24 and 25 November 2011

## DAY 1: THURSDAY 24 November 2011

### 9:00 Registration

#### 9:30 - 9:45 Opening speech/welcome

Didier Viviers, Rector of the Université libre de Bruxelles, ULB  
Jean-Michel De Waele, Dean of the Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, ULB  
Marianne Dony, Director of the Institute for European Studies, ULB

#### 9:45 - 10:45 ROUNDTABLE 1

JUDICIAL Education and Training: Gaps, Barriers and Innovations  
Task Force 4 (Part 1 – Recruitment of future judges and prosecutors and Initial Training)

**Chair:** Janusz Sługocki (Gorzów, Poland)

Roundtable Panel:

Ana Maria Garofil (INM, Romania): Recruitment of future judges and prosecutors, national TF4 experiences  
Martins Mits (University of Riga, Latvia): Content area within the initial training programs, national TF4 experiences  
Jaša Vrabec (Judge, Supreme Court, Slovenia): Training methods in initial training of the magistrates, national TF4 experiences

#### 10:45 – 11:00 Coffee break

#### 11:00 – 12:00 ROUNDTABLE 2

UNDERGRADUATE Education in Judicial Studies: Gaps, Barriers and Innovations  
Task Force 1

**Chair:** Ole Hammerslev, University of Southern Denmark

Roundtable Panel:

Daniela Cavallini (University of Bologna, Italy): Autonomy and barriers  
Luigi Lepore (Uni Parthenope, Italy): Composition of curriculum  
Anastasia Sotiropoulou (University Paris 1 Pantheon Sorbonne, France): Innovation, best practices and opportunities  
Silvia Gabarro (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain): Mapping out Law Schools in Europe

#### 12:00 - 14:00 lunch

#### 14:00 – 15:00 ROUNDTABLE 3

GRADUATE Education in Judicial Studies: Gaps, Barriers and Innovations  
Task Force 2

**Chair:** Stanislav Kadecka (University Masaryk, Czech Republic)

Roundtable Panel:

Radu Carp (University of Bucharest, Romania), Dragos Daclan, Cristina Marcuta (University of Cluj, Romania): Institutional Autonomy & Barriers to Judicial Studies

Tomas Berkmanas (Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania):

Interdisciplinarity  
Cheryl Thomas (University College London, UK): Innovation in Graduate Studies

#### 15:00 – 16:00 ROUNDTABLE 4

PHD Education in Judicial Studies: Gaps, Barriers and Innovations  
Task Force 3:

**Chair:** Boguslaw Banazhak (University of Wrocław, Poland)

Roundtable Panel:

Philip Langbroek (University of Utrecht, Netherlands): Outcomes comparative analysis PhD and judiciary – country reports  
Helena Soletto and Sabela Oubiña (Carlos III Madrid, Spain): Judicial skills and training needs based on case analysis  
Markku Kiikeri (University of Lapland, Finland): PhD, legal research and the relation between Courts and Law schools

#### 16:00 – 16:30 Coffee break

#### 16:30 – 17:30 ROUNDTABLE 5

LEGAL PROFESSIONAL Training in Judicial Studies: Gaps, Barriers and Innovations

Task Force 4 (Part 2 – see above)

**Chair:** Ana Maria Garofil (INM, Romania)

Roundtable Panel:

Cristina Dallara (IRSIG CNR, Italy): Continuous training for judges and prosecutors, compulsory or not, national TF4 experiences  
Martins Mits (University of Riga, Latvia): Content area in continuous training, national TF4 experiences  
Luís de Sousa (Instituto de Ciências Sociais, University of Lisbon, Portugal): Training methods in continuous training, national TF4 experiences

#### Dinner

## DAY 2: FRIDAY 25 November 2011

### 9:00 – 10:00 Participants project proposals

#### 10:00 – 10:30 Legal and Judicial Training & Education in European LAW

Reporting the Findings of a MFJ Survey  
Cheryl Thomas (University College London, UK) to report on Survey, Briefing Paper and new database on this issue created by MFJ

#### 10:30 – 10:45 Coffee break

#### 10:45 – 12:30 The perspective of European judicial organisations

**Chair:** Ramona Coman (Université libre de Bruxelles, Belgium) & Daniela Piana (University of Bologna, Italy)

Roundtable members:

Peter Hack (Assistant professor, Transparency International, Hungary)  
Jon T. Johnsen (professor, University of Oslo, member of the SATURN working group/CEPEJ)  
Edith Van den Broeck (Director of the Institute for Judicial Training, Belgium)

#### 12:30 - 13:30 Lunch

#### 13:30 – 15:30 The network: Taking Stock and Moving Ahead

**Chair:**

This session will be a full network discussion addressing:  
What have we learned at this meeting?  
What are our agreed priorities for the rest of the project?  
What is our Schedule for the remainder of the project?  
Using the MFJ website  
Suggestions for and commitments to work before next meeting (including dissemination of work of Brussels meeting).

#### 15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break

#### 16:00 – 17:00: Place, Focus and Format of Next Plenary Meeting 2012

COMMENT: It may be for the Bologna Team to propose the place for the next Meeting, but surely it is for the Network in the previous session to determine the Focus and Format of the next meeting?

#### 17:30 – 19:30 Meeting of MFJ Steering Committee

#### Dinner