



CALL FOR APPLICATION

1ST Edition

The project, organised by University of Macerata, support and promote judicial training on the application and interpretation of EU competition law, with a view to fostering a common legal and judicial culture.

The aim is contributing to improvement of knowledge, application and interpretation of EU competition law so as to ensure its coherent and consistent application.

Such purpose will be achieved by the following specific training activities focused on:

- Directive 2014/104 on antitrust damages actions (and the Italian transposing legislation);
- Economic principles of competition law including economic principles and economic reasoning;
- Specific terminology used in the application of competition law.

The course provide for both **e-learning** and **in presence** activities on the following topics:

- The disclosure of evidence in proceedings relating to an action for damages;
 - The passing on of overcharges and the interplay between damages actions relating to the same infringement but instituted by injured parties on different levels of the supply chain;
 - The quantification of antitrust harm in the framework of damages actions, including the application of the methods for quantification identified in the Commission's Practical Guide on the Quantification of Antitrust Harm;
 - The interaction between the public and the private enforcement of competition law, focussing on both the positive interaction and measures to avoid negative interactions.
- Economic principles of competition law will be analysed. More specifically, training activities on economic aspects will focus on the following topics: market characteristics, cost analysis, substitution and strategic interactions in different competition environments, market power, horizontal and vertically related markets, markets definitions.

The e-learning training program provides for

- A ten hours video training course (40 lessons of 15 minutes each);
- Updates on European and Italian case law on Directive 2014/104;
- A glossary of competition law;
- Other relevant documents with regard to the training topics;
- A forum in which judges could interact by posting and commenting questions and exchanging views and experiences.

The training in presence provides for two seminars of two days each at University of Macerata:

- First two days seminar consist in frontal lectures on Directive 2014/104 on antitrust damages actions (and the Italian transposing legislation) and the economic principles of competition law;
- Second two days seminar will be practical oriented, based on simulations and dealing with real case studies, focus on the issue of the quantification of antitrust harm in the framework of damages actions, including the application of the methods for quantification identified in the Commission's Practical Guide on the Quantification of Antitrust Harm.

Furthermore, all the participants will be invited to a Final Conference where the worldwide exchange of ideas among national judges and government officials with interest in EU competition law will be promoted.



Programme of the course

10 September 2018

Communication personal credentials for e-learning training.

10 and 11 September 2018

Frontal lectures at University of Macerata.

17 and 18 January 2019

Practical oriented seminar at University of Macerata.

7. A certificate of attendance will be issued at the end of the training activities.

8. Filling in the seminar evaluation form is mandatory. Failure to fill out the evaluation form will automatically mean that the participant is not entitled to a certificate of attendance and to reimbursement of travel costs.

Conditions of participation

1. Participation is open to:

a. national judges, prosecutors, apprentice judges, and members of judges' offices staff dealing with the review of national competition authorities decisions;

b. national judges, prosecutors, apprentice judges, and members of judges' offices staff dealing with competition law, including antitrust and state aid, at final instance (a final-instance judge may be of an appeal court, if this court's decisions cannot be further challenged).

National judges who do not belong to one of these two groups can apply, but cannot request reimbursement of expenses.

2. Application can be made until 17th June 2018 by fill out the form on-line at the link: <http://adaproject.eu/call/>.

3. Only 20 place are available for the training. A response will be given to every applicant within 9th July 2018. A reserve list of unsuccessful applicants will be drawn up. In the event of cancellations, applicants on the reserve list will be offered a place.

4. Participation is free of charge. Participation includes e-learning training and training in presence provides for two seminars of two days each at University of Macerata.

5. Travel costs of participants from outside of Italy will be reimbursed up to a maximum amount of € 300,00 and travel costs of participants from Italy will be reimbursed up to a maximum of € 80,00. The reimburse is subject to submission of the originals of travel receipts (e.g. flight ticket, boarding pass, train ticket, etc.) to be sent in within one month after the end of the training activities.

6. University of Macerata will book and pay for accommodation for four nights: 9 and 10 September 2018 – 16 and 17. January 2019. University of Macerata will offer all the meals consumed during the seminars.

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