



INTERDISCIPLINARY TRAINING
OF EUROPEAN JUDGES
ON IMPLEMENTATION OF EU RULES

CALL FOR APPLICATION
2nd Edition

The project is organised by the University of Macerata (Italy) to support and promote judicial training on the application and interpretation of EU competition law with a mission of fostering a common legal and judicial culture.

The aim is to contribute 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 is comprised of both **e-learning** and **classroom-taught** training 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 related 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,

focusing on both positive interaction and measures to avoid negative interactions;

- Economic principles of competition law.

The e-learning training program consists of:

- A ten hours video training course (40 lessons of ca. 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 residential training provides for two seminars of two days each at the University of Macerata:

- First two-day seminar consists of classroom-taught lectures on Directive 2014/104 on antitrust damages actions and the economic principles of competition law;
- Second two-day seminar is practically-oriented and based on simulations and dealing with real case studies, focused 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:

7th February 2019

Communication personal credentials for e-learning training

7th and 8th February 2019

Lectures at the University of Macerata

18th and 19th July 2019

Workshop at the University of Macerata

CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION:

1. Participation is open to
 - a. EU member States' national judges, prosecutors, apprentice judges, and judges' office staff dealing with the review of national competition authorities decisions;
 - b. EU member States' national judges, prosecutors, apprentice judges, and judges' office 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 any of these two groups can apply, but cannot request expense reimbursement.

2. Applications can be made until 7th January 2019 by filling out the on-line form at: <http://www.adaproject.eu/call/>.
3. Only a limited number of places is available for the training. Accepted applicants will be notified about their acceptance by 9th January 2019.
4. Participation is free of charge. Participation includes e-learning training and classroom-taught workshops, including two seminars of two days each at the University of Macerata, Italy.
5. Participants from outside of Italy may request a travel expense reimbursement for up to a

maximum amount of € 300,00 and participants from Italy up to a maximum of € 80,00. The reimbursement is subject to submission of the original 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: 6th and 7th February 2019 –17th and 18th July 2019. University of Macerata will offer all the meals and refreshments during the seminars.
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 travel expense reimbursement.

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