



Seminar  
The Lisbon Treaty and the  
Area of Freedom, Security and Justice

*organised by the  
European Centre for Judges and Lawyers, EIPA Luxembourg*

Podgorica (Republic of Montenegro), 23 – 25 March 2010

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## PROGRAMME

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### **Background**

After a short commentary on the number of motivations that triggered the last process of Treaty reform, the major changes agreed under the Lisbon Treaty will be addressed. The focus will be on the new legal status and the institutional and rule-making frameworks of the EU and the area of freedom, security and justice.

### **Aims and objectives**

This event will allow participants to familiarize themselves with the main changes which should occur in the years to come in the European Union but also with the consequences of the implementation of the Treaty for candidate countries.

### **Methodology**

This seminar will consist of presentations, questions & answers periods within each sub-topic.

### **Target group**

Civil Servants from the offices of the Prime minister, ministries of Foreign Affairs, Justice and Interior as well as from European integration and legal departments from other line ministries, including Customs and law enforcement authorities. This seminar is also of interest to members of the Magistracy.

## **Trainers**

Juan Diego RAMIREZ-CARDENAS DIAZ, Senior Lecturer, European Centre for Judges and Lawyers, European Institute of Public Administration, EIPA Luxembourg

Carla BOTELHO, Senior Lecturer, European Centre for Judges and Lawyers, European Institute of Public Administration, EIPA Luxembourg

Nadja LONG, Lecturer, European Centre for Judges and Lawyers, European Institute of Public Administration, EIPA Luxembourg

## **Programme Organiser:**

Christiane LAMESCH, European Centre for Judges and Lawyers, EIPA Luxembourg

Tuesday 23 March 2010

**09.00 – 09.30**      **Welcome and Registration of Participants**

**09.30 – 10.30**      **Introduction: The Way to the Lisbon Treaty**

*In this first session, the various reasons that led to the last Treaty modification process will be examined. The general considerations of Treaty reform, the conventional process that resulted in the failed European Constitution and the resumption of the IGC system which led to the Treaty of Lisbon, will also be discussed at this stage*

Diego RAMIREZ-CARDENAS DIAZ, Senior Lecturer, European Centre for Judges and Lawyers, European Institute of Public Administration, EIPA Luxembourg

**10.30 – 11.00**      Coffee break

**11.00 – 12.30**      **The new nature of the European Union after the Lisbon Treaty**

*This session examines the new legal nature of the European Union as a result of the Lisbon Treaty, including issues such as its legal personality, values, new objectives, classification of competences and the statute of the Charter of Fundamental Rights*

Diego RAMIREZ-CARDENAS DIAZ

**12.30 – 14.00**      Lunch break

**14.00 – 15.30**      **The New Institutional Design**

*This part will analyse the many changes introduced to the European institutional structure by the Treaty of Lisbon*

Diego RAMIREZ-CARDENAS DIAZ

**15.30 – 16.00**      Coffee Break

**16.00 – 17.30**      **The Lisbon Treaty and the new powers of the Court of Justice of the European Union in the freedom, justice and security area**

Carla BOTELHO, Senior Lecturer, European Centre for Judges and Lawyers, European Institute of Public Administration, EIPA

**17.30**                      End of the first day



Wednesday 24 March 2010

- 09.30 – 11.00**      **Judicial cooperation in civil matters**  
*An overview will be made on the achievements, the challenges and the difficulties of negotiation in the field of judicial cooperation in civil matters while taking into account the changes brought by the Lisbon Treaty*  
Carla BOTELHO
- 11.00 – 11.30**      Coffee Break
- 11.30 – 13.00**      **Visas, Asylum and Immigration**  
*This session will present the challenges and future developments in this sensitive field*  
Nadja LONG, Lecturer, European Centre for Judges and Lawyers, European Institute of Public Administration, EIPA Luxembourg
- 13.00 – 14.30**      Lunch break
- 14.30 – 16.00**      **Law enforcement cooperation**  
*The major changes that will occur with the Lisbon Treaty in the field of law enforcement cooperation will be presented*  
Nadja LONG
- 16.00 – 16.30**      Coffee break
- 16.30 – 18.00**      **Judicial cooperation in criminal matters**  
*This session will look at the major changes brought by the Lisbon Treaty in this area but also at the different future levels of participation of the different EU Member States*  
Nadja LONG
- 18.00**                End of second day

Thursday 25 March 2010

- 09.30 – 11.00**      **How the Member States and candidate countries are adjusting themselves to the Lisbon Treaty**
- 11.00 – 11.30**      Coffee break
- 11.30 – 12.00**      **Conclusions: The Lisbon Treaty and its Future Perspectives**
- 12.00**                **END OF THE SEMINAR**