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The European Judicial Network in civil and commercial matters

DG Justice and Consumers

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Need help
in a cross-border civil case?

The European Judicial Network in civil and commercial matters assists judicial authorities. Contact your national contact point.

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The main objective

*- **Help people** involved in civil and commercial judicial proceedings with a cross-border dimension, with more than one Member State is involved.*

*- EJN became the main instruments to **support efficient implementation** of Union civil justice instruments*

- The EJN-civil operates since 2002.

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Key element: judicial cooperation

*- Flexible, **non-bureaucratic structure**, which operates in an informal way;*

*- aims at **simplifying and strengthening judicial cooperation** between the Member States to the benefit of citizens and businesses in cross-border cases;*

*- It **supports** national central authorities established by Union law instruments*

*- **Facilitates relations** between different courts through a network of national contact points.*

Legal basis

Council Decision of 28 May 2001 establishing a European Judicial Network in civil and commercial matters (2001/470/EC)

amended by Decision No 568/2009/EC

EJN structure

The EJN is composed of more than 500 members:

- *contact points (110),*
- ***central bodies and central authorities provided for European and International legal acts,***
- *liaison magistrates where they have responsibilities in this field of law,*
- *associations of legal professions*
- *any other appropriate judicial or administrative authorities (in civil justice matters)*

EJN structure: Secretariat

The European Commission operates the EJN-civil secretariat.

Civil Justice Policy Unit, DG Justice organises in particular the Network's meetings and chairs them.

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EJN's activities

- *direct contacts and case handling between contact points;*
- *informing the public on cross-border access to justice*
- *evaluating and sharing experience on the operation of Union law instruments in matters of civil justice;*
- *regular meetings of the Contact Points, including Central Authorities meetings under the Brussels IIa Regulation and Maintenance Obligations Regulation.*

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EJN Contact Points assist…

- *judges when they need assistance in their contacts with foreign courts,*
- *local judicial authorities and other Network members by replying to questions about Union instruments, cooperation procedures, other Member States' laws,*
- *national central authorities established under Union instruments (e.g. dealing with parental responsibility or child abduction)*

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Meetings

5 Contact Point Meetings (some combined with Central Authorities) / year

- 1 central authorities Brussels IIa meeting
- 1 central authorities Maintenance meeting

1 EJN Annual Meeting

Specific Working Groups

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Multilingual Information

EJN Website => European E-Justice Portal

EJN Factsheets in all Union languages

- Jurisdiction
- Applicable Law
- How to proceed?
- "Order for payment" procedures
- Small claims
- Divorce
- Procedures for enforcing a judgment
- Taking of evidence
- Interim and precautionary measures
- Procedural time limits
- Automatic processing
- Lawful removal of the child
- Successions
- Service of Documents

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Actualité

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- ASSISES DE LA JUSTICE: 21-22 November 2013: Shaping Justice policies in Europe for the years to come
- Training in financial investigations and analysis of financial crime for police/gendarmerie, customs officers and judicial system personnel of the Member States and candidate countries
- New funding call launched for activities of judicial networks connected with judicial training
- New inter-active website on the training of lawyers in EU Law / Nouveau site interactif sur la formation des avocats au droit de l'Union européenne
- European Case Law Identifier geïntroduceerd in Nederland

Conférence: „Assises de la Justice“

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Guides for citizens and practitioners

Practice Guide for the application of the

Brussels IIa Regulation

Guides are electronically available:
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Citizens' and Practitioners' Guides

Citizens Guides	Practitioners Guides
• Cross-border civil litigation in the European Union	• Judicial cooperation in civil matters in the European Union
• European Small Claims Procedure	• Application of the Brussels IIa Regulation
	• Application of the European Small Claims Procedure
	• Application of the Regulation on the European Order for Payment
	• Application of the Regulation on the European Enforcement Order

Other practice tools

- *Art. 26 (2) Brussels I recast*

Information to be provided by the court to a party on its right to contest the court's jurisdiction

- EJN developed a non-mandatory standard text

  available in all languages at the European e-Justice Portal

- *Maintenance Obligations*

- EJN developed an arrears calculation form

  available at the European e-Justice Portal

EJN pages @ the e-Justice portal

Dedicated EJN area at the European e-Justice portal:

https://e-justice.europa.eu/content_ejn_in_civil_and_commercial_matters-21-en.do

Take a look in the web

European E-Justice portal

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European Judicial Atlas in Civil Matters

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