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EUROMED JUSTICE III PROJECT

Component I Access to Justice and Legal Aid

Research Report RR 1.1

“Procedural simplification in the ENPI South partners countries”

Launch meeting

Paris (FR), 20 April 2012
Hotel Provinces Opéra
36 Rue de l’Echiquier– 75010 Paris

AGENDA

- 09.00 – 09.30** **Registration of participants**
- 09.30 – 09.45** **Welcome speech**
- Sara CAMPINOTI, Programme Manager, Unit F4 Regional Programmes Neighbourhood South, Directorate-General Development and Co-operation – EuropeAid*
- 09.45 – 10.00** **General presentation of the project. Background and summarise work done during previous EuroMed Justice Projects related to this Component “Access to Justice and Legal Aid”.**
- Andrés SALCEDO VELASCO, Team Leader of the EuroMed Justice III Project.*
- 10.00 - 10.20** **Methodology to be followed. Reference to the previous study on “Access to Justice and Legal Aid in the Mediterranean partners countries”.**
- José María FERNÁNDEZ VILLALOBOS, Course Manager of the EuroMed Justice III Project.*
- 10.20 - 10.45** **Coffee break**

10.45 - 11.45 **Study on “Procedural simplification in the ENPI South partner countries”. Presentation of the questionnaire.**

Bernard MENUT, Main Short-Term Expert

11.45 - 12.00 **Break**

12.00 - 13.00 **Round table, discussion and suggestions (I)**

*Bernard MENUT, Main Short-Term Expert
Andrés SALCEDO VELASCO Team Leader*

13.00 - 14.30 **Lunch**

14.30 – 15.30 **Round table and suggestions (II)**

José María FERNÁNDEZ VILLALOBOS Course Manager

15.30 - 16.15 **Timeframe and organisation of technical visits**

Dania SAMOUL, Project Coordinator EuroMed Justice III Project.

16.15 - 16.30 **Closure of the meeting**

Andrés SALCEDO VELASCO

Sara CAMPINOTI Programme Manager, Unit F4 Regional Programmes Neighbourhood South, Directorate-General Development and Co-operation – EuropeAid

General presentation

The objective of this activity is the preparation of a Research Report. The research report to be delivered under thematic component 1 shall contain a comparative review of national experiences of procedural simplification in the ENPI South partner countries.

This report will:

- a) Provide a detailed analysis of the situation in each of the Beneficiary Countries related to the key issues within the researched fields.
- b) Based on reform trends/experiences among the EU MS and/or the ENPI South partner countries, propose possible actions and/or approaches, which could be helpful to improve or accelerate progress in the Beneficiary Countries.
- c) The Research Report will thus be of paramount importance to obtain a real and in-depth knowledge of the legal systems and enable in-depth discussions on the key issues within the researched fields.

The launch meeting will be a plenary session. Given the high-level profile of the participants, the representatives of the ENPI South partner countries should have an active role during the discussions. It would be necessary that the participants who take part in this meeting, and are involved in this activity, will be in charge of answering the questionnaire or helping in doing so on place.

Beneficiary countries' experts' profiles

Three (3) representatives per ENPI South partner country.

Profile: good knowledge of procedural law (civil, criminal, etc.); good knowledge of access to justice and legal aid; good knowledge of the topics that will be addressed (simplification of procedures, enforcement orders for uncontested claims, payment orders, small claims procedures, reduction of the workload, length of procedures, etc); capacity to provide the external expert with the required information; familiarity with judicial cooperation projects. If possible, good level of written and spoken English or French.

Working languages

This launch meeting will take place in English, French and Arabic, with simultaneous interpretation throughout the meeting. (The written communications/contributions should be in French or English).

Duration

One day: 20 April 2012

Venue of the meeting and accommodation of the participants



The meeting will take place at the:

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