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Dear Sir, Dear Madam,

Subject:

Invitation to participate in the 8th edition of the Conference of the Presidents of the Courts of Appeal of the European Union on 12-14 June 2024 in Bucharest, Romania

We have the honour to inform you that the Ministry of Justice of Romania will host the 8th edition of the Conference of the Presidents of the Courts of Appeal of the European Union, in Bucharest on 12 - 14 June 2024, a major event which will be attended by approximately 50 judges, Presidents of Courts of Appeal from all the Member States of the European Union.

Held every two years, the Conferences of the Presidents of the Courts of Appeal of the European Union are prestigious events, organised in accordance with the principle of multilingualism (simultaneous interpretation into the language of the organising country and into English, French and German), with a high-quality programme of lectures on subjects such as the rights and freedoms of the judges, the digitalisation of courts, court management, international cooperation, elements of comparative law, and with high-quality social events such as excursions or official dinners. The events are also distinguished by the presence of special guests of high calibre and relevance in the current European context, such as members of judicial councils or ministers of justice.

The conferences are open to presidents, vicepresidents, and judges from courts of appeal, irrespective of the specialisation of the court, representatives of supreme courts, ministries of justice and judicial councils, whether in office, former or retired.

At the end of the last Conference, which took place in June 2022 under the auspices of the Court of Appeal Innsbruck (Austria), Romania, through its participants, was invited to join the Steering Committee of the conferences and to host the 2024 edition. For the Romanian judiciary it is a first and a real privilege to organise an event of such international prestige.



MINISTERUL JUSTIȚIEI

In view of your outstanding professional experience, we would be particularly honoured if you would accept our invitation to participate in this conference. The theme of the Conference is "Fundamental rights and freedoms in the judiciary and Digitalisation, artificial intelligence and justice", topics of interest to the Presidents of the Courts of Appeal, key factors in the judicial systems they represent.

The Conference sessions will be held on 13 and 14 June 2024 in the "Constantin Stere" Hall, 1st floor of the Palace of Parliament in Bucharest, provided by the Romanian Senate.

Participants will be accommodated at the <u>Radisson Blu Hotel Bucharest 5*</u>, on the nights of 12-13 June and 13-14 June 2024. The welcome dinner will be held at the hotel on the evening of Wednesday 12 June 2024.

The rate for a single room at the hotel is 212 euro per night.

Accommodation and transport costs for participants will be covered by the sending institutions. The cost of excursions, meals and transfers between the airport, hotel and conference venue will be covered by the organisers.

Accompanying persons are welcome to join the participants in Bucharest.

Should you wish to attend, we would be very honoured and invite you to register as soon as possible through the conference website, where you will find further details:

https://www.just.ro/conferinta/

Direct link to the registration form:

https://www.just.ro/conferinta-inregistrare/

If you are unable to attend, we would be grateful if you could send another representative.

For any further questions, please contact the organiser of the Conference on behalf of the Romanian Ministry of Justice, Judge Dr. Cosmin - Răzvan Mihăilă, e-mail cosmin.mihaila@just.ro, phone +40.722.959.289.

We hope that you will participate in and support our efforts to enhance the prestige of the courts by strengthening cooperation at the European level, which can improve the image and public perception of the judicial systems in the European Union.

We thank you in advance and assure you of our highest regard,

Dr. Cosmin-Răzvan MIHĂILĂ Judge seconded to the Romanian Ministry of Justice Former President of the Court of Appeal of Galați, Romania

