

EUROPEAN COMMISSION DIRECTORATE-GENERAL JUSTICE AND CONSUMERS

Directorate C: Rule of Law, Fundamental Rights and Democracy Unit C.1 : Rule of law

INVITATION

Subject: Meeting of the contact persons for national justice systems, Brussels, 10 October 2024

Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

This is an invitation to the next meeting of the *Contact persons for national justice systems,* which will take place on **Thursday, 10 October 2024 from 10.00 AM to 17.00 PM CEST**, at the Centre de Conférences Albert Borschette (CCAB) Room 1D (Rue Froissart 36, 1040 Brussels).

This meeting will be an opportunity to reconnect in person after one year. We would like to encourage you to participate in person. We are developing the agenda in a way, which will invite group discussions and encourage more feedback throughout the sessions. The meeting agenda will follow.

We are pleased to confirm that the costs of travel and accommodation for one contact person representing the judiciary and one representing the Ministry of Justice per Member State, can be reimbursed. Following your confirmation in the AGM (Advanced Gateway Meetings) system, indicating you will be participating in person, you can proceed to booking your own accommodation and travel, for which you will subsequently be able to claim reimbursement, again via AGM. It is, therefore, very important for everyone to have an EU login account and a functioning access to AGM.

The meeting hours have been scheduled to allow you to arrive and leave Brussels on the meeting day. However, if you need to spend one night before the meeting or/and one night after the meeting in Brussels due to transport time being incompatible with the meeting hours, you will be entitled to hotel cost reimbursement up to €168 per night.

As regards travel expenses, for journeys under 400 km (one way), the Commission can reimburse a first-class railway ticket. For distances over 400 km, economy class air travel will be reimbursed. If you intend to use your private car, the journey will be reimbursable at the same rate as a first-class rail ticket or by default at the rate of $\notin 0.22$ per km.

For those of you, who will not be able to travel to Brussels, there will of course be a possibility to join the meeting online via Interactio through a link, which we will

distribute at a later stage before the meeting, along with the final agenda. Please confirm your participation in AGM, too, and indicate digital attendance.

We will be grateful to receive your confirmations in AGM by Friday, 27 September at the latest.

For any questions, whether related to the program of the meeting or the logistical arrangements, please contact <u>JUST-C1-POLICY@ec.europa.eu</u>.

We are very much looking forward to the meeting and to seeing many of you in Brussels.

Yours sincerely,

(e-signed) Florian GEYER Head of Unit