

8 July 2025

Dear President, Dear Colleague,

We are writing to invite you to participate in the Colloquium of the Network of the Presidents of the Supreme Judicial Courts of the European Union, taking place from 13 to 15 November 2025 in The Hague, the Netherlands.

The programme of The Hague Colloquium starts at 15.00 on Thursday, 13 November with a meeting between the Network and The Hague Judicial Club bringing together the Dutch Supreme Court and the international courts and tribunals based in The Hague. During this session the Network and the representatives of international jurisdictions will reflect on “*The Contribution of International and National Courts and Tribunals to the Rule of Law*”. To date, the International Court of Justice and the International Criminal Court have confirmed their participation. Lord Reed, President of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom, has kindly agreed to speak on behalf of the Network. The meeting with international jurisdictions will be followed by a reception and welcome dinner.

Friday, 14 November is devoted to the Colloquium and the General Assembly of the Network. The conference day is divided into two independent working sessions. The morning session focuses on “*National Courts and International Crime*” and will be prepared and moderated by Mr Christophe Soulard, First President of the French *Cour de cassation*. The afternoon session provides an opportunity for an exchange of ideas on “*Social Media: its Impact on Court Communication and Influence on Judicial Independence*”. This session will be prepared and moderated by Ms Bettina Limperg, President of the Federal Court of Justice of Germany. Both moderators will circulate a set of preparatory questions prior to the Colloquium to ensure a lively debate.

The working day will conclude with the General Assembly of the Network, open to all Members, Associate Members and Observers of the Network.

The conference day on Friday will be followed by a dinner. The Colloquium will conclude with a social programme and lunch on Saturday, 15 November. The preliminary programme of The Hague Colloquium is enclosed.

Please kindly refer to the Practical Information Notice for further information on the organisation of the event. Please note that a discount rate for reservations made **before Friday, 26 September 2025** has been arranged at the **Voco Hotel**. More information on reservations is available in the attached Practical Information Notice.

We would be very grateful if the completed Registration Form could be submitted before **Monday, 8 September 2025**, to [thehaguecolloquium@hogeraad.nl](mailto:thehaguecolloquium@hogeraad.nl) and [secretariat@networkpresidents.eu](mailto:secretariat@networkpresidents.eu).

Please use the same addresses should you have any questions or should you need any further information about the Colloquium.

We look forward to your participation and to welcoming you to The Hague.

Please accept the assurances of our highest consideration.



**Anders Eka**  
President of the Network



**Dineke de Groot**  
President of the Supreme Court  
of the Netherlands