



# ELF IN BRIEF

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## A NEW JUDICIAL TRAINING STRATEGY FOR THE EU

End November 2025, the European Commission (EC) published its new [European Judicial Training Strategy 2025-2030](#), which is part of the EU Digital Justice Package.

We are delighted to see that ELF is recognised in the Strategy as a training provider which should continue organising “cross-border training with the aim of fostering a broader European perspective among participants and facilitating cross-border cooperation, professional exchange, and networking between justice professionals”.

Within the framework of the new Judicial Training Strategy, the EC (under the auspices of the Cypriot Presidency of the Council of the EU) organised a conference in Nicosia on 26 and 27 February 2026 to support the development of effective approaches for implementing the newly adopted Strategy. ELF participated as part of its efforts to create a supportive environment for the digitalisation of justice in the EU.



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The meeting was also attended by representatives of the Council of Bars and Law Societies of Europe (CCBE) and of various EU Bars, along with representatives of other justice professions. ELF will continue supporting the efforts of the EU in training lawyers in EU law as we have been doing since our establishment more than a decade ago.

## TRAVAR 2 KICKS-OFF

On 6 February 2026, the **TRAVAR 2** project (Training of lawyers on various areas of EU Law 2) kicked off at the ELF's premises in Florence. The main objective of the meeting was to coordinate the various activities that will take place in the project, which is co-funded by the EU.

There will be two main sets of training activities: the organisation of webinars on relevant areas of EU law, and the organisation of 9 seminars on the impact of digitalisation on EU criminal law and on the daily practice of EU criminal defence lawyers.

Whereas the webinars are open to all EU lawyers, only lawyers from Member States whose Bars are partners in the project will be eligible to participate in the seminars. At least 1.770 EU lawyers are expected to be trained through TRAVAR 2 training activities.



Representatives of the EC, ELF, CCBE and EU Bars during a session focused on training of lawyers at the conference in Nicosia (source: CCBE)



Participants in the TRAVAR 2 kick-off meeting

# NEW WEBINARS

The beginning of 2026 has brought new training opportunities to EU lawyers! This year we will continue offering EU lawyers a considerable number of free of charge webinars.

Following the webinar we organised on 26 January on [cross-border legal services into and out of the EU](#), on 16 March we will organise a webinar on [EU Sanctions](#).

Other topics to be dealt with by our webinars in 2026 include pre-trial detention and the presumption of innocence, the European Public Prosecutor's Office, and various issues related to the digitalisation of Justice, to mention just a few.

Follow ELF on [LinkedIn](#) and [X](#) to stay tuned! Material from previous webinars (including video-recordings of the events) are freely accessible through our [website](#).

The video-recording of our previous webinar on crossborder legal services is accessible on our YouTube channel (link below).



*You can register for the upcoming webinar on EU sanctions [here](#).*

*You can access the webinar's programme [here](#).*

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