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25 October: celebration of the European Day of Civil Justice and publication of the new report on the evaluation of European judicial systems

Date : Monday 25 October 2010

Lieu : Ljubljana (Slovenia) – Hotel Lev

Organised by the European Commission for the Efficiency of Justice (CEPEJ) of the Council of Europe and the European Commission, at the invitation of the Slovenian Minister of Justice.

Description: On this occasion the European Crystal Scales of Justice Prize for groundbreaking projects and practices in the field of court organisation and implementation of judicial procedures in European courts will be awarded for the 5th consecutive year.

The aim of the European Day of Civil Justice is to bring justice closer to citizens, inform them of their rights and promote the work of the European Commission and the Council of Europe in the field of civil justice, through the simulation of procedures and information sessions. These sessions are open to students, legal experts and the general public. European courts will also be holding open days to mark the occasion.

Maud de Boer-Buquicchio, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe, Aleš ZALAR, Slovenian Minister of Justice, Claudia Bandion Ortner, Austrian Minister of Justice, Dražen Bošnjaković, Croatian Minister of Justice and Max Stadler, German Deputy Minister of Justice, will take part in the event.

The CEPEJ 2008-2010 report on the evaluation of European judicial systems will also be presented and published.

These events will give the CEPEJ the opportunity to diffuse practices and ideas which help to improve the quality, effectiveness and equity of justice in Europe.

Practical information:

- the Day will begin with a seminar on European cooperation in civil matters, which will take place from 9 am to 12.30 pm (see [programme](#)) ;
- the **presentation of the report on the evaluation of European judicial systems will begin at 2.15 pm and be followed by a press conference at 3 pm** (see [programme](#));
- the **ceremony for the award of the "European Crystal Scales of Justice" Prize will begin at 4 pm.**

For further information, see the [European Day of Civil Justice special file](#) and the [European Crystal Scales of Justice Prize special file](#).

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