

AIAKOS PROGRAMME

COMMON DESCRIPTION OUTLINE

- **Brief description of the AIAKOS Programme (current description in EJTN brochure):**

The programme is addressed specifically to future and early-career judges/ prosecutors, giving them the opportunity to learn about other judicial systems and training curricula, enhance their knowledge of EU law and judicial cooperation instruments as well as meet with their counterparts and develop useful contacts for their future professional life.

- **General objectives of the AIAKOS programme:**

- To bring together future or newly-appointed judges and prosecutors from different EU Member States;
- To foster mutual understanding of different European judicial cultures and systems;
- To raise awareness of the European dimension of their (future work);

- **Key points for the host institution's programme**

- Ensure a stimulating learning environment by appropriate use of methodology.
- Make the programme reflect the profession of judge/member of the bench as an independent profession insofar as possible.
- Let them spend time thinking judges' traditional and magisterial competencies. Trainee judges will exchange and learn about *judge craft*, together with other European trainee judges.
- They will also learn about the importance of reflection and intervision for judges to form proper judgements.
- Encourage the trainees to work together in educational/research teams in which they can acquire knowledge and share experiences where necessary.

- **Content of the host institution's programme**

- Initial Training system
- National Judicial system
- Instrument of European cooperation (European Arrest Warrant: presentation/ cases/ hearings/ meeting prosecutors and judge)
- Visit Dutch Supreme Court & Council of State
- Visit Netherlands Commercial Court

- Judgecraft, Ethic, Deontology
- Leadership
- Social Event