

# European Union Civil Service Law

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For five years, EIPA's European Centre for Judges and Lawyers (ECJL) in Luxembourg has hosted an annual conference on 'European Union Civil Service Law'. These conferences have been very well received and prompted much enthusiasm from: Judges from the Court of Justice of the EU; Legal representatives of European institutions and agencies; University professors; Lawyers specialised in this field.

In light of this, EIPA will organise a sixth annual conference. This will be an opportunity for you to explore recent developments, and in particular, those related to the reform of the EU's Court of Justice and the transfer of competence of civil service law to the General Court.

### **What you gain**

Firstly, you will become informed about recent developments in the case law of the General Court. You will look in more detail at specific issues regarding civil service litigation in the EU, including those issues that are currently on the agenda. Secondly, we will provide scope for a debate and a critical assessment of this case law among the key actors concerned, namely judges, lawyers and staff of the institutions.

### **Who will benefit most?**

- Civil servants and officials of EU institutions and agencies who are responsible for issues relating to civil service law.
- Members of trade unions and professional organisations in the EU.
- Lawyers specialised in civil service litigation in the EU.
- National experts of public administration.
- Officials of international, non-EU organisations who are responsible for staff matters.

# Programme

## THURSDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2017

- 14.00 **Registration of participants**
- 14.15 **Welcome and introduction to the conference**
- Presentation of EIPA
  - Presentation of the programme (including the objectives and the methodology) and the speakers
- Tomasz Kramer*, Lecturer, EIPA Luxembourg, European Centre for Judges and Lawyers

### General Aspects

Chair: *Haris Tagaras*, Professor of European Law at the Panteion University of Athens, Lawyer, Former Judge at the European Union Civil Service Tribunal, Luxembourg

- 14.30 **General Court, the judge in the EU civil service law: the state of resumption of procedural acquis of CST**
- Stéphane Gervasoni*, Judge at the General Court of the European Union, Luxembourg
- 15.15 **Overview of substantive EU civil service law developments**
- Julian Currall*, Barrister, Alber & Geiger, Brussels, former Principal Legal Adviser - Legal Service and Director of the ECS Team, European Commission, Brussels
- 16.00 Coffee break
- 16.30 **The impact of Brexit on civil service law**
- Pietro Manzini*, Professor at University of Bologna
- 17:15 **Question and answer session**
- 17.45 **End of the first day**
- 18.00 Cocktail

## FRIDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2017

### Particular Issues

Chair: *Julian Currall*

- 09.15 **A panel on health-related issues:**
- Occupational disease
  - Varied meanings of term 'invalidity'
  - Forced medical leave
- 10.30 coffee break
- Data protection and access to the medical file
  - Medical issue in disciplinary proceedings
  - Judicial control of medical opinions
- Panellists:  
*Sebastian Bohr*, member of the Legal Service, European Commission, Brussels  
*Laure Levi*, Avocat at the Brussels Bar, Lallemand & Legros Lawyers, scientific associate at the Institute of European Studies of the University of Brussels  
*Joëlle Pilorgue-Vrancken*, Legal Officer, DG for Human Resources and Security, European Commission and author of manual '*Le droit de la fonction publique de l'Union européenne*', Brussel
- 11.45 Question and answer
- 12.15 Lunch
- Chair: *Tomasz Kramer*
- 13.30 **Freedom of expression of the civil servants and agents of the EU institutions**
- Emmanuel Maurage*, Head of Human Resources Unit, European Asylum Support Office (EASO), Malta
- 14.15 **Question and answer**
- 14.30 Coffee break
- 14.45 **The right to be heard: practical applications**
- Anna Duron*, Avocat at the Paris Bar, Ashurst, Brussels
- 15.30 **Question and answer**
- 15.45 **The disciplinary measures seen through the case law**
- Philippe Singer*, Avocat at the Strasbourg and Luxembourg Bars, Honorary Director at the European Court of Justice, chief editor of *JurisNews European Civil Service*, Luxembourg
- 16.30 **Question and answer**
- 17.00 **Closure of the seminar and evaluation**

# General Information

## Seminar venue

Renaissance Brussels Hotel  
Rue du Parnasse 19 (Ballroom 1+2)  
B-1050 Brussels  
[map](#)

## Hotel reservations

EIPA has negotiated a special price with the Renaissance Brussels Hotel. The rate includes breakfast but exclude the city tax. Here is the reservation link you can use to make online reservations: [Book your group rate for EIPA](#)

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Should you wish to make use of this possibility, please use the link above. Payment is to be made directly and personally to the hotel on checking out.

## Meals

The lunch on the second day will take place in the room Parnasse 2, at the Renaissance Brussels Hotel.

## Participation

EIPA members' fee\*: €900  
Regular fee: €1000

The participation fee includes documentation, one lunch, one reception and refreshments. Accommodation and travel costs are at the expense of the participants or their administration.

\* EIPA members can take advantage of a reduced fee; this is available to all civil servants working for one of EIPA's member countries (i.e. AT, BE, BG, CY, CZ, DE, DK, EL, ES, FI, FR,, HU, IE, IT, LT, LU, MT, NL, NO, PL, SE, UK), and civil servants working for an EU institution, body or agency.

## Early registration discount

On the regular fee of this seminar, EIPA Luxembourg offers a €50 discount for all registrations received and paid before **20 October 2017**.

Note that reductions cannot be accumulated. For more information, please visit EIPA's website: <http://seminars.eipa.eu> (FAQ - special discounts).

## Registration

Kindly complete the online registration form which can be found on EIPA's website <http://seminars.eipa.eu> before **2 November 2017**.

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## Confirmation

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## Payment

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