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**Protocol on exploitation of data collected by the CEPEJ
within the frame of its evaluation cycle « European judicial systems – 2018 Edition »
for the purpose of carrying out specific studies**

1. The Working Group on the evaluation of judicial systems of the European Commission for the Efficiency of Justice (CEPEJ-GT-EVAL) has decided to make available the collected data within the frame of its evaluation cycle to the representatives of legal professions interested in conceiving a specific report on professionals of justice, in addition to the main report “European judicial systems”, 2018 Edition.
2. Following a request approved by the CEPEJ-GT-EVAL, these representatives of legal professions will be granted privileged access to relevant information of the original CEPEJ database (existing partially in English and partially in French) stemming from the collection and processing of national data submitted by the member states. The information will be communicated by the CEPEJ Secretariat by means of relevant extracts of the database, under specific conditions of use.
3. In this respect, the CEPEJ, attaching the highest importance to the quality of its data, stresses the necessity to comply with the methodology of use of such data:
 - a. statistical data can be used and understood only in the light of the comments provided by the national correspondents during the collection and/or quality control of data;
 - b. the use of data transmitted by the CEPEJ is limited to the specific report on professionals of justice which is specified in the initial request;
 - c. if other data are used in the specific report, the CEPEJ data must be clearly identified as such;
 - d. if several sources of data are used, the latter cannot be integrated simultaneously within the same graph at the risk of confusion between these sources which may be of different quality and reliability;
 - e. the study, which will be supervised by the CEPEJ-GT-EVAL and the CEPEJ Secretariat, must be carried out in English or French;
4. The final study, after being approved by the CEPEJ, will be published by the Council of Europe, in English and/or French, within the series “CEPEJ Studies”, mentioning the authors’ names.

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