



Judicial training

Perspective of the European Commission

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HELP in the 28
European seminar on
Legal training and evaluation methodology

Outline

Why the EU supports judicial training

EU approach to deliver cross-border judicial training

2017 developments in EU judicial training policy

Why the EU supports

Principle:

- **Member states/free legal professions responsible for judicial training**

Reasons for EU intervention:

- **Better implementation of EU law
(on fundamental rights: also EU Charter)**
- **Mutual trust in cross-border cases**

Why the EU acts



Added value of EU intervention

- **Dissemination of training material across borders**
E-Justice portal: <https://e-justice.europa.eu>
(including "Advice for training providers")
In future: European training platform
- **Financial support for cross-border training**
- **Facilitate the exchange of experiences**
Human rights: connect "HELP in the 28" and
the EUI Charter training project

EU approach to cross-border training

Training content follows the training needs

- **Integrate EU law**
instead of special EU law trainings
- **HELP: integrates human rights**
instead of special Convention training

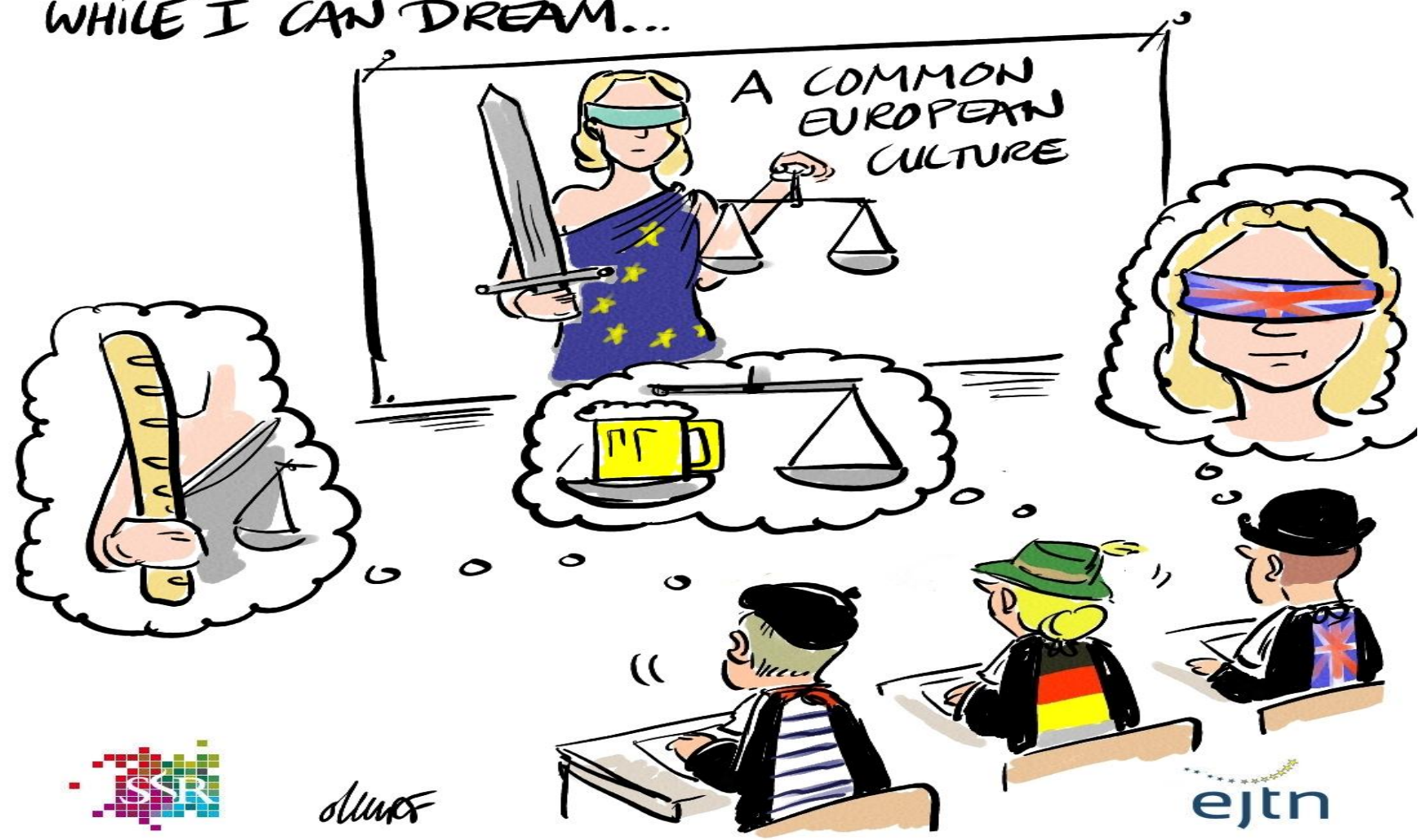
*Joint training activities of participants
from different Member States*

**HELP: jointly developed training material, but mainly
national training activities**



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EU approach to cross-border training

E-learning: magic bullet or overrated?

- **Assess acceptance (age, Member State, profession)**
- **Interactive (not pdf online)**

Evaluation of training activities

- **Feedback to trainers/experts**
- **Impact assessment, not only "happy sheets"**

2017 developments

*2017 funding priorities on judicial training:
Structure instead of judicial themes*

- **Create cross-border cooperation structure among training providers for justice professions**
- **Prepare better recognition of training activities abroad (when training is obligatory)**
- **Cross-border initial training activities**
- **Joint study visits to EU courts**

2017 developments

*2017 funding priorities on judicial training:
Structure instead of judicial themes*

- **Training activities with easy linguistic access**
- **Training activities for multipliers (such as trainers, EU law coordinators)**
- **Cross-professional training activities**

http://ec.europa.eu/justice/grants1/programmes-2014-2020/justice/index_en.htm

2017 developments

Prepare new EU training strategy (update of 2011 Communication) – some ideas:

- **Tackle gaps (court staff/bailiffs, initial training)**
- **adjust targets ("5% per year") to the role of EU law today and to the importance of cross-border participation**
- **address additional professionals (prison and probation staff)**
- **consider EJTN´s "9 principles of judicial training", expand to court staff, monitor**
- ...



**"Just when I think
I have learned the way I live,
life changes."**

Hugh Prather

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