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**European Commission for the Efficiency of Justice (CEPEJ)**

**Co-operation project between the CEPEJ and the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak  
Republic**

## **STRENGTHENING THE EFFICIENCY AND QUALITY OF THE SLOVAK JUDICIAL SYSTEM**

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**Mission of CEPEJ experts for the  
court coaching programme**

### **Agenda**

**6-8 November 2018**

***Slovak Republic***

## Objectives of the mission

- Meet the leadership of the Ministry of Justice and discuss the progress of the current project and the perspectives of future co-operation.
- Meet, together with representatives of the Ministry of Justice and its Analytical Centre, the 3 pilot courts (district courts of Bratislava I, Banská Bystrica, and Košice I) and introduce to them the basics of the CEPEJ court coaching programme and the tools which could be tested at court level.
- Discuss with the pilot courts their priorities in view of improving the efficiency and quality of services, and the specific activities to be implemented as part of the court coaching.

## Tuesday, 6 November 2018

08:30 – 09:00	<p><b>Meeting with the leadership of the Ministry of Justice</b></p> <p><i><b>Main topics for discussion:</b></i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The current state of implementation of the project “Strengthening the efficiency and quality of the Slovak judicial system” and objectives still to be accomplished;</li> <li>- Perspectives of continued co-operation between the CEPEJ and the Slovak Ministry of Justice, in view of increased efficiency and quality of judicial services.</li> </ul>
09:30 – 12:00	<p><b>Visit to the District court of Bratislava I</b></p> <p><b>Meeting with the management, judges and senior court staff</b></p> <p><i><b>Main topics for discussion:</b></i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Brief introduction of the general objectives of CEPEJ and the cooperation under the project “Strengthening the efficiency and quality of the Slovak judicial system”;</li> <li>- The methodology of the court coaching and the ways in which the CEPEJ team could support the pilot courts through advice and other activities;</li> <li>- Summary of the previous activities with a particular focus on the most important recommendations of the evaluation reports;</li> <li>- Explaining the objectives and the results of the Working Groups of the Ministry of Justice, of the Analytical Centre, and how the pilot courts could be involved in testing some of the measures to improve time management, efficiency and quality of services;</li> <li>- Court’s evaluation of its performance and its biggest challenges.</li> </ul>
12:00 – 13:30	<p><b>Lunch break</b></p>
14:00 – 17:00	<p><b>Continuation of the meeting with the management, judges and senior court staff</b></p> <p><i><b>Main topics for discussion:</b></i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The main SATURN tools and the ways of improving the time management in courts and reducing their backlog;</li> <li>- The quality initiatives promoted by CEPEJ (including the methodology of court user satisfaction surveys);</li> <li>- Decide with the pilot court on its priorities and the actions it chooses to test on its own initiative or at the request of the MoJ WGs.</li> </ul> <p><b>Conclusions and planning of next steps.</b></p>

**Wednesday, 7 November 2018**

**Visit to the District court of Banská Bystrica**

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**Thursday, 8 November 2018**

**Visit to the District Court Košice I**

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**Composition of the CEPEJ team:**

1. **Mr Georg Stawa**, President of CEPEJ, Head of the Department for Projects, Strategy and Innovation at the Ministry of Justice (Austria) (*only on 6 November*)
2. **Mr Ladislav Duditš**, Judge of the Regional Court of Kosice, CEPEJ Member for the Slovak Republic
3. **Mr Marco Fabri**, Director of the Research Institute on Judicial Systems, National Research Council of Italy (IRSIG-CNR), Scientific expert of CEPEJ/SATURN (Italy)
4. **Mr Francesco Contini**, Scientific expert of the Research Institute on Judicial Systems, National Research Council of Italy (IRSIG-CNR) (Italy)
5. **Mr Luigi Cipollini**, Statistician, Department of Statistics and Organizational Analysis of the Ministry of Justice, CEPEJ national correspondent and expert (Italy)
6. **Mr Leonid Antohi**, Project Coordinator, CEPEJ Secretariat