



**European Judicial Training Network
Réseau Européen de Formation Judiciaire**

AIAKOS PROGRAMME FINANCIAL CONDITIONS FOR NATIONAL PARTICIPANTS 2023¹

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¹ These financial conditions may be subject to changes. Should that be the case, participants will be informed in due time. Matters not covered by the present document are considered to be governed by EJTN's Corporate Financial Policy in force at the time of the reimbursement. Any doubts concerning the interpretation and application of the present document shall be decided by EJTN in light of the applicable Corporate Financial Policy.

Foreword: Impact of the COVID-19 on the AIAKOS Financial Conditions

The following Financial Conditions 2023 are the usual conditions applicable for the AIAKOS Programme. However, specific policies may be applied by EJTN due to the impact of the COVID-19 outbreak in Europe. Therefore, you are requested to strictly follow the instructions provided by your EJTN contact point as they may have an impact on the below Financial Conditions (e.g., change of delay to book, additional document(s) to be provided, etc.).

The per diem being linked to the justified presence at the training venue, participants in an online activity do not receive any per diem.

1. Types of costs covered

Participants residing in the country where the activity takes place, and as far as their expenses are not covered by their national institution, will be entitled to the reimbursement of their travel and daily expenses according to the following rules.

	Transport costs	Accommodation meals, local transport, and sundry expenses
National participants	Maximum 200€	Actual costs basis

1.1. Travel expenses

The travel expenses incurred by the participants for the purpose of attending the activity are reimbursed on the basis of the **most cost-effective means of transport** between their institution in the country of origin and the venue of the activity in the hosting country.

The total eligible costs for the round trip **will not exceed 200 Euros** for national participants. Any exceeding amount shall be at the charge either of the participant or of his sending institution.

Depending on the mean of transport used, the reimbursement is made as follows:

- Travel by plane: cost of an economy class ticket;
- Travel by train: cost of first-class ticket on the shortest way for a round trip;
- Travel by private car: cost of 0,22 EUR per kilometre for a round trip up to a maximum of 1.200 km calculated on the basis of the shortest route (itinerary mapping in support – Michelin/Google Internet Maps): journey kilometre x 2 (in-out) x 0,22 € / km
- Luggage cost

In no case shall costs derived from excess luggage or travel insurances be reimbursed. For the avoidance of doubt, and although the 200 Euros limit will be still applying, it will not be considered “an excess luggage cost” any expense related to the transport of one single piece of registered luggage per person whenever such cost is not included in the ticket’s price; in order to be entitled to the reimbursement of such costs, participants must provide, in addition to their travel documents, sufficient evidence that the transport of such piece of luggage was not included in the paid airlines fare.

- Use of personal car or car rental

In case of car sharing, the expenditures of transport by private car will be reimbursed to the participant appointed to EJTN among the participants travelling together. This is also applicable in case of a taxi share.

Participants who choose to travel by car discharge EJTN from being responsible in any occurrence to the car or to third parties.

- Combining the exchange with another private or professional activity

Participant combining an EJTN activity, and another professional or private activity will be reimbursed on the basis of the less expensive journey and avoiding double funding.

- Exceptions

As an exception, amounts in excess of 200 Euros may be claimed if duly justified (i.e., urgency, complex route) with an explanatory note addressed to the Secretary General of EJTN (exchangeprogramme@ejtn.eu) when submitting the reimbursement request after the activity has ended. Such a request shall be appreciated discretionally and on a case-by-case basis.

1.2. Accommodation, meals, local transport and sundry expenses

The reimbursement of the daily expenses due to the attendance of the activity of the participant will be made **on the basis of their actual costs and upon presentation of duly substantiated receipts supplied by the participant or the invoice issued to the organiser**. This reimbursement shall cover the expenses incurred for accommodation and meals the day before the activity, if applicable, and the days on which the activity is taking place. Local transport will be reimbursed on the same basis if journey is made using public transports.

Reimbursements of the meals will not exceed 20 EUR for lunch and 30 EUR for dinner. Additionally, the below mentioned *per diem* limits are applicable.

COUNTRY	EJTN PER DIEM RATES
Austria	€ 170
Belgium	€ 180
Bulgaria	€ 180
Croatia	€ 150
Czechia	€ 180
Finland	€ 190
France	€ 190
Germany	€ 160
Greece	€ 170
Hungary	€ 170
Italy	€ 180
Latvia	€ 160
Lithuania	€ 150
Netherlands	€ 200
Poland	€ 170
Portugal	€ 160
Romania	€ 170
Slovak Republic	€ 160
Slovenia	€ 150
Spain	€ 160
Sweden	€ 200

2. Payment procedure

The amounts due will be paid in a single payment after the activity. To obtain the reimbursement of the expenses, the participants will be asked to upload duly substantiated receipts (transport, accommodation, meals, etc.) on the Exchange Programme platform. Participants must keep all original documents reproducible (i.e., saved, scanned or printed) in case of any loss.

The right to be reimbursed extinguishes due to the closure of the reimbursement claim where, missing duly substantiated justifications, two (2) reminders have been sent to the participant without any feedback or follow-up from their part within the time set in the last reminder. In addition, EJTN may request the reimbursement of any amount it has advanced to the participant if the requested documents are not provided.

No acknowledgment of receipt will be sent following the receipt of the financial documents. Participants are therefore invited to regularly check their bank account.

3. Requested documents

Please ensure that you upload ALL the documents listed below in the online statement of cost on the Exchange Programme platform. **We strongly recommend** that you keep a COPY of all the documents you send.

- o All documents may be provided in electronic or scanned form and uploaded on the online Exchange Programme platform.
- o If applicable, the original invoice for accommodation specifying the name of the hotel, the dates of the nights involved, and the price paid for each night². Please note that the invoice must be an individual one.
- o If applicable, the original invoices for the dinners and lunches. These invoices must mention the name of the restaurant, the date and the price paid. Please note that the invoices must be individual ones.
- o If applicable, proof of costs for local transport (bus or tram ticket, original taxi receipt only in case of late arrival or early departure when public transport is not available...)

² Please note that extra expenses such as double room, mini-bar or any other service provided by the hotel will not be reimbursed by EJTN.

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