**Free Judicial Training Sessions on Cross-Border Insolvency Proceedings**

*3-4 November (Riga) and 1-2 December (Amsterdam) 2014*

**Cooperation and communication between judges is necessary to facilitate efficient cross-border insolvency proceedings. To this end professors Bob Wessels (Leiden Law School) and Paul Omar (Nottingham Law School) have developed ‘*EU Cross-Border Insolvency Court-to-Court Cooperation Principles and Guidelines’ (‘JudgeCo* Project’*). This project is sponsored by the European Commission as well as the International Insolvency Institute. As of November 2014 free training sessions take place to familiarise judges from across Europe with these Principles and Guidelines.***

What can judges do to have less cases like ‘KPN Quest’ and more ‘Trident’ Cases (see Eurofenix, issue Summer 2014)? The JudgeCo Principles and Guidelines provide clear guidance for more efficient proceedings. The training sessions aim to familiarise judges with the JudgeCo Principles and Guidelinesand give them the opportunity to comment on their usefulness in practice. Also, it allows judges to enlarge their European network and to discuss other pending issues with colleagues.

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Two more training sessions will take place in Riga (3-4 November, to be confirmed), and Amsterdam (1-2 December). All judges deciding on matters of insolvency are offered the chance to participate in a two-day interactive training. Once accepted as a participant, travel and reasonable accommodation costs are covered by the project.

**Programme**

The programme of the training sessions is tentatively scheduled to start around noon at day one. The reform of the European Insolvency Regulation and the JudgeCo Principles and Guidelines will then be discussed. The day will conclude with a dinner. On day two workshops will take place to actively discuss and experience the working of the JudgeCo Priniciples and Guidelines. The training session will finish around 13:00 CET. For the training sessions, venues are chosen that can be reached easily.

**Registration**

For more information on and registration for the Judicial Training Sessions visit:
[www.tri-leiden.eu/projects/judgeco-project](http://www.tri-leiden.eu/projects/judgeco-project), or contact the organisers via:

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