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## EUROMED JUSTICE II PROJECT

### STUDY VISIT

#### Agenda

« Victims and access to Justice for the most vulnerable groups »

Brussels (BE), 22 - 26 November 2010

In cooperation with:



Service public fédéral  
**Justice**

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### **Individual arrival on Sunday 21 November and check in at the hotel**

19.30-20.00 Welcome of participants at the hotel

Debriefing on the agenda of the Study visit by the Project Coordinator

### **Monday 22 November 2010**

#### **Venue**

*SPF Justice*

*Boulevard de Waterloo, 115*

*1000 Brussels*

*Room: 24*

09.15-09.30 Wendy Matarasso, from the Protocol, will meet the participants at the Cascade hotel

09.30 -10.00 Welcome words by Mr Bourlet, President of the SPF Justice

10.00 – 12.30 Presentation by Mr Bernard De Vos, General Delegate to Children's rights

12.00-12.15 Questions and Answers Session

*12.15-13.30 Lunch at the restaurant of the Palace of Justice*

13.30 – 14.00 Departure for the SPF Justice in company of a responsible of the SFP Justice

14.00-15.30 Presentation by Ms Yvette Paridaens, Juvenile Judge

15.30-15.45 Questions and Answers Session

15.45-16.45 Continuation of the visit

16.45-17.00 End of the visit and back to the hotel

### **Tuesday 23 November 2010**

#### **Venue**

*SPF Justice*

*Boulevard de Waterloo, 115*

*1000 Brussels*

*Room: 204*

09.30 – 12.00 Presentation by Ms Jocelyne Talon of the SPF Social Integration

*Lunch at the restaurant 'Les trois chicons'*

14.30 – 15.30 Presentation by members of *La Maison de Justice de Bruxelles* (Brussels House of Justice)

→ Criminal mediation, Mr David Heenen, Justice Assistant

15.30-15.45 Questions and Answers Session

15.45- 17.00 → Assistance to victims Service, Ms Amélie Gheux and Ms Martine Durant, Justice Assistants

17.00 End of the visit

### **Wednesday 24 November 2010**

#### **Venue**

*Huy House of Justice, Chaussée de Liège, 76, 4500 HUY*

08.30 Gathering at the Cascade Hotel and departure for the Huy House of Justice (transportation by bus)

09.30-11.45 Visit - 1<sup>st</sup> line Social care, Mr Pierre Wilderiane, Director

11.45-12.00 Questions and Answers Session

12.00-14.30 Departure and *Lunch at the Huy Palais de Justice restaurant at quai d'Arona, 4, in 4500 HUY, with Mr P. Romijn, King's State Counsel (public prosecutor), and Mr JF Marot, President of the Court of first instance*

14.30 – 15.30 Legal Aid office

1st and 2<sup>nd</sup> line legal care

ASBL « *Aide et reclassement* » (Aid and Resettlement), Mr Daniel Martin

15.30-15.45 Break

15.45-16.30 Continuation of the visit

16.30 Departure for Brussels and back to the hotel

## **Thursday 25 November 2010**

- 09.30 – 09.30 Departure from the hotel to the Palace of Justice, Place Polaert, 100 Brussels
- 09.30-12.00 Visit to the Palace of Justice: registrar service, assistance to victims service
- 12.00-13.30 *Lunch at the restaurant of the Palace of Justice*
- 13.30-14.00 Back to the SFP Justice
- 14.00–16.30 Presentation by Mr Ben van Winckel, Police Assistance to Victims (local police), and Ms Wivine Paquay, Police Assistance to Victims (federal police)
- 16.30-17.00 Questions and answers session
- 17.00 End of the visit

## **Friday 26 November 2010**

### **Venue**

*SPF Justice  
Boulevard de Waterloo, 115  
1000 Brussels  
Room: 204*

- 09-09.30 Departure from the hotel to the SPF Justice
- 09.30 – 11.00 Presentation on mediation by ASBL Médiante
- 11.00 – 12.15 Evaluation and report in presence of Belgian authorities and participants
- 12.30 – 15.30 Closing lunch at the *Fondation universitaire*
- 15.30-16.30 Back to the hotel and end of the study visit

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## GENERAL INTRODUCTION

### The Project

The European Commission launched the second regional project in the field of justice in the Euro-Mediterranean area, EuroMed Justice II (1<sup>st</sup> January 2008 – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2011). This project is funded by the European Commission (DG EuropeAid Co-operation Office) under the Euro-Mediterranean policy of the EU. The implementation of this project has been entrusted by the European Commission to a consortium led by the European Institute of Public Administration (EIPA) and composed of the International and Ibero-American Foundation of Administration and Public Policies (FIIAPP) and of the Spanish General Council of the Judiciary (CGPJ).

The European Centre for the Regions (ECR), the Centre of the European Institute of Public Administration (EIPA) in Barcelona, is the Programme Management Unit for the EuroMed Justice II Project.

The beneficiaries of this project are: the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, the Arab Republic of Egypt, Israel, the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, the Republic of Lebanon, the Kingdom of Morocco, the Palestinian Authority, the Syrian Arab Republic and the Republic of Tunisia.

This project has a total duration of 39 months, between January 2008 and April 2011, with 12 Working groups meetings (already done in 2008-2009), 18 training seminars (being completed) and **10 study visits** to be developed during this period. The project is structured around three different components: Access to justice and legal aid; Resolution of cross-border family conflicts; and Criminal and prison law.

### The Study visit

This study visit is taking place in the framework of a series of study visits - up to ten - that will be organised between October 2010 and February 2011 for participants from the Mediterranean partner countries to administrations of EU Member States or international or regional organisations operating in the fields covered by the EuroMed Justice II Project.

These visits are the best methodology to get acquainted with the best experiences and good practices available in the Mediterranean partners and EU countries in the field of justice.

The participants' profile will correspond to three different levels:

- Decision-makers
- Policy-makers and high-ranking officials in charge of applying the policies
- Magistrates, judges, prosecutors and other legal professionals.

The title of this study visit is:

***“Victims and access to Justice for the most vulnerable groups”***

### **The host administration**

The host administration, the Belgian Federal Ministry of Justice, has worked in close cooperation with the EuroMed Justice II Project Coordinator to prepare this study visit and draft an agenda that takes account of the varied interests of all participating countries. We would like to thank the Belgian National Focal Point for the EuroMed Justice II Project as well as the Belgian Ministry of Justice for their availability and the very interesting visits they managed to put on the agenda of this study visit. For further information on the host administration, please consult the website:

<http://www.just.fgov.be/>

### **Organisation and practical aspects**

**Each participant should carry his/her passport and his/her invitation letter during the whole duration of the visit.**

Travel and hotel costs of the Mediterranean partners' representatives will be borne by the Project. Moreover, participants will be given a daily allowance corresponding to the rules of the European Commission in this field in order to cover their meals and local transport during the study visit.