



EU SINGLE MARKET PROGRAMME

EJTN Training - EU Competition Enforcement
European Judicial Training Network, Brussels (Belgium)

15 – 16 May 2025

PROGRAMME



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TRAINING DESCRIPTION

This training initiative is designed to increase the capacity of judicial and law enforcement professionals in detecting anti-competitive behaviour. The European Commission aims to strengthen collaborative efforts between competition enforcement agencies and *“non-competition national enforcers” — judicial and law enforcement professionals who may encounter anti-competitive behaviour in the course of their regular duties but whose primary role does not involve competition investigations.*

The goal is to promote the role that the non-competition enforcers could have in the prosecution of anti-competitive infringements by sharing relevant information and evidence with competition enforcement authorities at both the European and national levels.

The training will cover key aspects of EU competition law, with a focus on cartels and abuse of dominant positions, as outlined in Articles 101 and 102 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU). Cartel activities, such as price-fixing and market allocation, will be examined alongside practices that exploit or exclude competitors by entities with a dominant market position.

The participants will be introduced to the *Exotic Fruits case*, whereby the European Court of Justice (ECJ) confirmed that the European Commission could use as evidence information and documents provided by national non-competition authorities to prosecute anticompetitive infringements, provided that the transmission is legal under national law.

Participants will learn to identify potential anti-competitive behaviour, understand the types of information and evidence valuable for enforcing EU competition law, and receive guidance on the measures they can take to facilitate the detection, prosecution, and sanctioning of such behaviour.

TARGET GROUP

The training is aimed at **investigative judges, judicial advisors/associates, public prosecutors, assistant public prosecutors, and law enforcement officers** managing or conducting investigative activities in **economic and financial matters** as their core daily tasks.

While these professionals do not routinely handle competition law cases, their daily tasks may give rise to the detection of anti-competitive practices. This program will equip them with the skills needed to identify these leads and evidence and to report them to the European Commission and national competition authorities.

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SPEAKERS

- TBC

IMPORTANT NOTE: By accepting the offer to attend the event, the participants agree that they will not reveal the identity and affiliation of the speaker(s) and participants to third parties.

AGENDA

Thursday, 15 MAY 2025

13:00 – 14:00	Arrival - Security Check & Welcome Lunch <i><u>ATTENTION:</u> To receive access to the venue, please bring a valid ID card/passport (access will be granted only to individuals with proper identification)</i>
14:00 – 15:50	Introduction and presentation of the EC Investigative Project EU Competition rules and brief hints on the procedure before the European Commission
15:50 – 16:10	Coffee break
16:10 – 18:00	Investigative co-operation between the European Commission and a national non-competition enforcer: <i>The Exotic Fruit case</i> Anatomy of a cartel – part one

Friday, 16 MAY 2025

09:00 – 10:20	Anatomy of a cartel – part two
10:20 – 11:10	Practical exercise – part one
11:10 – 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 – 13:00	Practical exercise – part two Conclusions
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch

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