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8th conference of the Presidents of the Supreme courts of the Council of Europe

On October 26 and 27, the presidents of the Supreme Courts of the Council of Europe will meet in Paris. More than 30 of them will attend the conference themselves, to discuss the subject matter of "Access to the Supreme Court". Various aspects of the subject will be dealt with: reception of individuals, representation of individuals, legal aid, filtering mechanisms and dialogue with individuals/users. Almost 40 Supreme Courts have returned the questionnaire and their answers can be found online .

During the conference, the Council of Europe and the European Commission will present the European Prize "Crystal Scales of justice" designed to reward innovative and efficient practices used in European courts for court organization or for the conduct of civil proceedings.

Evaluation of the judicial systems

On October 5, the latest report of the CEPEJ, the European Commission for the Efficiency of justice, was released. The report, its summary and the data of each country are available on the website of the Council of Europe.

Data systems and Supreme Courts - Roma

The Italian Supreme court of cassation organises an international colloquium on the use of data systems in Supreme courts proceedings on October 20 and 21 in Roma. Members of several European Supreme Courts will take part in the colloquium.

Judicial Training in the EU

On June 29, the European Commission made a communication on judicial training in the EU. Even if the training of judges and prosecutors remains a domestic issue, it plays a fundamental role in the construction of the area of freedom, security and justice.