



European Network of Councils
for the Judiciary (ENCJ)

Réseau européen des Conseils
de la Justice (RECJ)

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Concerns: Call for Candidates for the ENCJ Presidency and Executive Board

Dear Members of the ENCJ,

The mandate of the President and four of the current Executive Board members will end at the 2022 General Assembly in Athens, and therefore a new President and new Board members need to be elected.

The Board consists of the President and (representatives of) seven ENCJ Members.
The current members are:

1. President: Filippo Donati (until June 2022)
2. Conseil Supérieur de la Magistrature, France (until June 2022)
3. Raad voor de rechtspraak, Netherlands (until June 2022)
4. Conselho Superior da Magistratura, Portugal (until June 2022)
5. Sodni Svet, Slovenia (until June 2022)
6. Supreme Judicial Council for Administrative Justice, Greece (until June 2023)
7. Teisėjų Taryba, Lithuania (until June 2023)
8. Consiliul Superior al Magistraturii, Romania (until June 2023)

1. President

As stated above the mandate of the current ENCJ President will end June 2022. Therefore, elections for the ENCJ Presidency will need to be organised at the General Assembly in Athens on 1 June 2022.

All ENCJ Members may nominate a candidate to the Presidency.

The application shall include;

- The nomination by the ENCJ Member institution of the candidate and
- A document signed by the nominated candidate accepting the candidature and stating his/her reasons for seeking election and his/her particular objectives for the Association (Rule 7 Rules of Procedure).

Candidates need to be a member of their Council/national institute (article 11.5 of the Statutes). The newly elected President will serve a two-year mandate starting after the closing

of the General Assembly on 3 June 2022 and ending after the General Assembly organised in 2024.

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure (Rule 7) written applications must be sent to the President (through the ENCJ Office office@encj.eu) six weeks before the date fixed for the next General Assembly meeting. Applications are therefore expected to be received by **20 April 2022**.

2. Executive Board

The mandates of the Councils of France, the Netherlands, Portugal and Slovenia will end at the General Assembly in June 2022. They cannot stand for re-election, except in case insufficient candidates are proposed, in which case the Executive Board may exceptionally decide to allow those members to stand for re-election (see article 11.2 of the Statutes).

The institutions elected in Athens will serve a two year term (till the General Assembly in June 2024 and cannot stand for re-election. (Article 11.2 of the ENCJ Statutes).

According to the Statutes the ENCJ Executive Board is responsible for:

- The implementation of the Association's programme of activities;
- Ensuring the proper functioning of the Permanent Office;
- Calling and preparing ordinary or special meetings of the General Assembly;
- Proposing statements and policy positions to the General Assembly;
- Undertaking all legal formalities and publicity in respect of appointments and
- The annual financial statements and submitting an annual report of its activities to the General Assembly.

The members of the Executive Board are also expected to coordinate the work of the ENCJ Projects.

ENCJ Members are hereby invited to apply for membership of the Executive Board.

Please indicate who would be the nominated representative (member of the national institution) once the national institution would be elected on the Board. Please note that the ENCJ strives to reach gender balance in the Board.

Each candidate Board Member shall be given the opportunity orally to introduce its candidature to the General Assembly before the voting takes place (during the members only session on 1 June). The election of the Board Members shall be by secret ballot, unless there are not more candidates than positions in the Board in which case all candidates will be deemed to be elected.

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure (Rule 8), written applications must be sent to the ENCJ President (through the ENCJ Office office@encj.eu) at least six weeks before the date fixed for the next General Assembly meeting. Applications are therefore expected to be received **by 20 April 2022 at the latest**.

The list with candidates will be sent to the ENCJ Members at least 4 weeks in advance of the General Assembly.

If you require additional details, please contact the ENCJ Office.

Best regards,

Filippo Donati
President of the ENCJ