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Programme
Conference on the Establishment of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office (EPPO) “State of Play and Perspectives”

Venue: T.M.C. Asser Instituut, The Hague, the Netherlands
Date: Thursday 7 July (afternoon) and Friday 8 July (entire day) 2016

First day: Thursday 7 July 2016

12.30 – 13.30 Arrival and registration of participants; with an informal lunch

13.30 – 13.40 Welcome by representatives of the Asser Institute and the Law Faculty of Leiden University

13.40 – 14.00 Introductory remarks on the proposal to establish an EPPO
Prof. Dr John VERVAELE, Utrecht University, the Netherlands, President of the AIDP

14.00 – 15.00 Setting the scene – Panel session on the State of Play in the EPPO Negotiations
Chair: Mr Tom DE BRUIJN, Alderman of the City of The Hague, Former Permanent Representative of the Netherlands to the EU

- Account of progress achieved, by a representative of the outgoing Netherlands’ Presidency – Mr Marnix ALINK, Legal Adviser, Netherlands Permanent Representation to the EU
- Mapping out the main issues to be resolved, by a representative of the incoming Slovak Presidency – Ms Dagmar FILLOVA, Criminal Law Legislation Division, Ministry of Justice of Slovakia
- A view on the State of Play and Perspectives from the European Commission – Mr Peter CSONKA, Adviser of the Criminal Justice Directorate, Commission

15.00 – 15.15 Discussion

15.15 – 15.45 BREAK

First session: Possible assessment criteria
Chair: Mr Jan Watse FOKKENS, Procurator General, Supreme Court of the Netherlands

15.45 – 16.10 The legislative framework in terms of Better Regulation
Prof. Dr Ester HERLIN-KARNELL, VU University Amsterdam, the Netherlands

16.10 – 16.35 Main human rights principles entitled in the legislative framework
Prof. Dr Valsamis MITSILEGAS, Queen Mary University, London, UK

16.35 – 17.00 EU constitutional principles and certain procedural safeguards as part of the rules of procedure for EPPO (art. 86 par. 3 TFEU) – Prof. Dr Holger MATT, Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt am Main, Germany
Second day: Friday 8 July 2016

9.00 – 09.30 Confirmation (obligatory) of registration and coffee / tea with a croissant

Second session: Substantive issues under EPPO’s legislative framework
Chair: Judge Ezio PERILLO, Civil Service Tribunal, Court of Justice of the EU

09.30 – 09.55 Extent of EPPO’s criminal law responsibilities in the light of the PIF directive and the CJEU Taricco Judgement
Prof. Dr Rosaria SICURELLA, Ordinario, Università di Catania, Italy

09.55 – 10.20 Ancillary crimes and ne bis in idem
Mr Eric SITBON, Legal Adviser, Council Legal Service

10.20 – 10.50 Discussion

10.50 – 11.20 BREAK

Third session: Procedural issues under EPPO’s legislative framework
Chair: Dr Pim GEELHOED, Leiden University, the Netherlands

11.20 – 11.45 Forum choice and judicial review under EPPO’s legislative framework
Prof. Dr Michiel LUCHTMAN, Utrecht University, the Netherlands

11.45 – 12.10 Applicable law and admissibility of evidence
Dr Els DE BUSSER, The Hague University of Applied Sciences, the Netherlands

12.10 – 12.40 Discussion

12.40 – 14.00 LUNCH

Fourth session: Institutional issues under EPPO’s legislative framework
Chair: Prof. Arjen MEIJ, T.M.C. Asser Instituut & University of Luxemburg

14.00 – 14.25 Internal structure and decentralised decision-making
Prof. Dr Andre KLIP, Maastricht University, the Netherlands

14.25 – 14.50 Cooperation between the EPPO and OLAF – Ms Irene SACRISTÁN SÁNCHEZ, Deputy Head of Unit Policy Development and Hercule, OLAF

14.50 – 15.15 Cooperative relations between EPPO and Eurojust in investigative actions
Prof. Dr Anne WEYEMBERGH, Free University of Brussels, Belgium

15.15 – 15.45 Discussion

15.45 – 16.15 BREAK

16.15 – 17.00 Summa summarum: Assessing EPPO’s raison d’être in the light of the debates
Chair: Prof. Dr John VERVAELE, Utrecht University, President of the AIDP
- Mr Hubert LEGAL, Director-General, Legal Adviser to the Council
- Prof. Dr Alex BRENNINKMEIJER, Member of the European Court of Auditors, Professor Utrecht University
- Mr Klaus MEYER-CABRI, National Member for Germany at Eurojust, chair of the Eurojust Brussels Team and member of the Eurojust Task Force dealing with EPPO

17.00 – 17.30 FAREWELL DRINK