

## **Memorandum of Understanding**

Between

South East European Law School Network

and

Regional Network for Judicial Training

The **South East European Law School Network** (hereinafter: SEELS) established on March 25<sup>th</sup> 2011 in Skopje, Macedonia by the University of Tirana, Faculty of Law, University of Sarajevo, Faculty of Law, University of Zenica, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, Faculty of Law, University of Split, Faculty of Law, University of Belgrade, Faculty of Law, University of Kragujevac, Faculty of Law, University of Nis, Faculty of Law, University “Ss. Cyril and Methodius” Skopje, Faculty of Law “Justinianus Primus”, University of Montenegro, Faculty of Law and joined in June 2012 by the University of Rijeka, Faculty of Law

and

the **Regional Network for Judicial Training** (hereinafter: RNJT) established on April 25<sup>th</sup> 2012 in Sofia, Bulgaria based on the Memorandum of Understanding signed on November 2011 in Skopje, Macedonia by the School of Magistrates of Albania, Centre for Judicial and Prosecutorial Education of Republic of Srpska, Centre for Judicial and Prosecutorial Training of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo\* Judicial Institute, Academy for Training of Judges and Public Prosecutors of the Republic of Macedonia, Judicial Training Center of Montenegro, National Institute of Justice of the Republic of Moldova, National Institute of Magistracy of Romania, Judicial Academy of Serbia, Judicial Academy of Croatia and National Institute of Justice of Bulgaria

hereby express their willingness to engage into cooperative training, educational and research activities, for the mutual benefit of both Networks, with the aim to increase coherency of legal training and education and by this its quality in general.

In order to promote cooperation and the advancement of academic, training and educational exchange SEELS and RNJT agreed to cooperate and foster their relations.

Within fields that are mutually acceptable for both parties cooperation shall be carried out through activities or programs enclosing:

1. Creating a platform for developing learning and information tools regarding relevant legislation, legal documents, good practices, methodologies and tools in SEE countries;

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\* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence

2. Establishment of a framework for professional development, analysis and promotion of progressive instruments and mechanisms and exchange of challenging ideas and best practices in the area of legal education and training;
3. Setting up the principles and mechanisms for development of legal education and training in SEE;
4. Development of a harmonised regional program for legal education and training;
5. Sharing of know-how by staff of both parties at conferences, summers schools, regular lectures, trainingsetc;
6. Other academic, training and research programs which will increase general knowledge and expertise on regional level and enhance the goals of this Memorandum.

This Memorandum does not result in any financial obligations. Cooperation will depend from availability of funds and the approval of the competent authority of SEELS and RNJT. Thus, the terms of cooperation for each activity implemented under this Memorandum shall be mutually discussed and agreed upon in writing by both parties prior to the initiation of that activity.

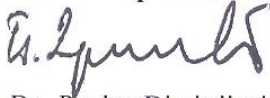
This Memorandum is valid unless it is terminated in writing by either of the two parties with three-months' notice in advance of the anticipated termination date.

None of the parties may make any public announcement or statement or publish any information with regard to any proposed joint activity or proposed collaboration without the prior written approval of the other party. Each party will keep confidential any information that is received from the other party or is obtained otherwise if the confidentiality of such information has been declared or is otherwise obvious.

Friday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012 in Budva, Montenegro

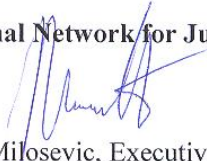
On behalf of:

**South East European Law School Network (SEELS):**



Prof. Dr. Predrag Dimitrijevic, Dean of the Faculty of Law, Nis, Chair of the Management SEELS Board

**Regional Network for Judicial Training (RNJT):**



Maja Milosevic, Executive Director of the Judicial Training Center of Montenegro, appointed by the present representatives of the RNJT