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**UNIDEM  
CAMPUS TRIESTE SEMINAR**

**“THE INDEPENDENCE OF JUDGES AND PROSECUTORS:  
PERSPECTIVES AND CHALLENGES”**

**Trieste, Italy**

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**28 February – 3 March 2011**

**PROGRAMME**

### Monday, 28 February 2011

9.15 – 10.30	<p><b><u>Opening of the seminar and introduction</u></b></p> <p><i>The independence of judges and prosecutors: overview of the existing European standards</i></p> <p>Mr Sergio BARTOLE, Substitute Member of the Venice Commission (Italy), Professor at the University of Trieste, Italy</p>
10.30 – 12.00	<p><b>Workshop:</b> <i>Status, appointment procedures and funding</i></p> <p>Ms Alessia COZZI, lawyer, Trieste, Italy</p>
12.30 – 13.30	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>
13.30 – 15.00	<p><b>Lecture:</b> <i>Executive and Judiciary: “dialogue” in relation to human rights</i></p> <p>Mr François PAYCHERE, Judge, Cour de Justice, Geneva, Switzerland</p>
15.00 – 16.30	<p><b>Workshop :</b> <i>Implementation of judgments</i></p> <p>Mr François PAYCHERE, Judge, Cour de Justice, Geneva, Switzerland</p>

### Tuesday, 1 March 2011

9.00 – 10.30	<p><b>Lecture :</b> <i>The challenge of efficiency and quality of the work of judges and prosecutors</i></p> <p>Mr Jorge COSTA, Public Prosecutor, Portugal</p>
10.30 – 12.00	<p><b>Lecture:</b> <i>Can impartiality and independence prevent corruption in the judiciary?</i></p> <p>Ms Masa GRGUREVIČ-ALČIN, Director General, Department for Judicial Administration, Ljubljana, Ministry of Justice, Slovenia</p>
12.30 – 13.30	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>

**Tuesday, 1 March 2011**

13.30 – 15.00	<p><b>Workshop I:</b> <i>Accountability of judges and prosecutors</i></p> <p><a href="#">Mr Jorge COSTA</a>, Public Prosecutor, Portugal</p>
15.00 – 16.30	<p><b>Workshop II:</b> <i>Judicial corruption</i></p> <p><a href="#">Mr Gregor STROJIN</a>, Senior Advisor, Head of Public Affairs Office, Supreme Court of the Republic of Slovenia, Ljubljana, Slovenia</p>
16.30 – 18.00	<p><b>Workshop:</b> <i>“Training the Trainers”:</i></p> <p><a href="#">Ms Dubravka BOJIC</a>, Legal officer, Division of Democratic Institutions and Fundamental Rights, Council of Europe, Strasbourg, France</p>

**Wednesday, 2 March 2011**

9.00 – 10.30	<p><b>National presentations:</b></p> <p>Participants:  <a href="#">Ms Anna SARGSYAN</a> ; <a href="#">Mr Edgar SEDRAKYAN</a>, Armenia  <a href="#">Ms Andrea POSAVEC FRANIĆ</a> ; <a href="#">Ms Maja VITALJIĆ</a>, Croatia  <a href="#">Mr Eldar MALIK-ABBASOV</a> ; <a href="#">Mr Anar TAGHIYEV</a>, Azerbaijan  <a href="#">Mr Cătălin POPESCU</a>; <a href="#">Mr Mihail UDROIU</a>, Romania</p> <p>Discussion facilitated by : <a href="#">Ms Alessia COZZI</a>, lawyer, Trieste, Italy</p>
10.30 – 12.00	<p><b>Lecture:</b> <i>Judiciary and media</i></p> <p><a href="#">Mr Raffaele SABATO</a>, Past Chair and current member of the Bureau of the Consultative Council of European Judges, Judge at the Court of Naples, Italy</p>
12.30 – 13:30	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>

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15.00 – 17.00	<p><b>Lecture and workshop :</b> <i>Judicial reform</i></p> <p><a href="#">Mr Audun Hognes BERG</a>, Senior Advisor, Head of International Secretariat, Department of Legal Affairs, National Courts Administration, Trondheim, Norway</p>

### Thursday, 3 March 2011

9.00 – 10.30 10.30 – 12.00	<p><b>Lecture :</b> <i>Prosecutorial independence and accountability</i> <b>Workshop :</b> <i>Prosecutorial independence and accountability</i></p> <p><a href="#">Mr James HAMILTON</a>, Irish Substitute Member of the Venice Commission, Director of Public Prosecutions, Ireland</p>
12.00 – 12.45	<p><b>Conclusions</b></p> <p><a href="#">Ms Alessia COZZI</a>, lawyer, Trieste, Italy</p>
12.45 -13.00	<p><b>Distribution of attendance certificates</b></p>
13.00 – 14.00	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>