



In the frame of the EU project EPHESUS - Promoting fundamental rights in (post) pandemic times in cross border proceedings, the Centre for European Constitutional Law organises the 2nd transnational roundtable on the topic "Access to justice for vulnerable groups in cross-border proceedings".

The roundtable will be held on Wednesday, September  $17^{th}$  2025 at 17.00 - 18.30 (Athens/ Greece).

The roundtable will focus on the challenges vulnerable groups face in accessing justice in the context of cross-border criminal proceedings, with particular emphasis on the European Arrest Warrant. Topics include access to legal representation and aid, interpretation services, communication with consular authorities during deprivation of liberty, and other critical aspects of fair trial rights.

This event is specifically addressed to legal professionals, including judges, prosecutors, lawyers, court clerks, and representatives of judicial authorities. In order to allow participation from legal practitioners across Europe, the roundtable will be held in English.

In order to attend the roundtable, you are kindly asked to register in the ZOOM link that is available below.

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/U2qnukQyQtCC9\_aiGkdgZw.

Upon registration, you will automatically receive the meeting link.

## Agenda

Time (CEST)	Session
17:00 – 17:10	Welcome Remarks (Centre for European Constitutional Law – CECL)
17:10 – 17:20	Project Updates (CECL)  • Key conclusions from the 1st and 2nd TARD  • Overview of the ESO Database  • Presentation of Factsheets, Glossary, and Podcasts
17:20 – 17:30	Pre-assessment survey (IPS)
17:30– 18:15	Access to Justice for Vulnerable Groups in Cross-Border Proceedings Short interventions by representatives from the partner countries (5–7 minutes each):  • Greece: Areti Skafida, Public Prosecutor, Piraeus Court of Appeal & Marina Daliani, Attorney-at-law  • Spain: Alejandro Hernández López, Professor, University of Valladolid  • Bulgaria: Iglika Vasileva, Attorney-at-law  • Portugal: Carlos de Almeida Lemos, Defence lawyer

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18:15 – 18:25	Post assessment survey (IPS)
18:25 – 18:30	Concluding Remarks (CECL)

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