



THE EU CHARTER IN LEGAL PRACTICE

Cross-Professional Training
Bucharest, 26-27 October 2026



EXCELLENCE IN
EUROPEAN LAW⁷

Key topics

- Multilevel architecture of the fundamental rights protection in the EU
- The scope of application of the EU Charter
- The right to an effective remedy and a fair trial
- Non-discrimination under the EU Charter

Language
English

Event number
426DT110

Organiser
Mareike Hoffmann (ERA) in
cooperation with NIM



The EU Charter in Legal Practice

Monday, 26 October 2026

08:45 Arrival and registration of participants

09:30 **Opening of the seminar and ice-breaking exercise**
Mareike Hoffmann

I. EU CHARTER: THE BASICS

10:00 **Introduction: the multilevel architecture of fundamental rights protection in Europe**

- Legal instruments: national constitutions, EU Charter, ECHR and international human rights law
- Relation and tension between the different legal instruments

10:30 Discussion

10:45 Coffee break

11:15 **The scope of application of the EU Charter in the case law of the Court of Justice of the European Union**

- Article 51 of the EU Charter: application of the EU Charter at Member States level
- Article 52 of the EU Charter: where to find standards for interpretation of the EU Charter
- Effects of the EU Charter in national courts

12:00 Discussion

12:15 **Workshop: using the EU Charter in national courts**

- Role of the preliminary reference procedure
- Working on cases in groups

13:15 Lunch

II. THE RIGHT TO AN EFFECTIVE REMEDY AND TO A FAIR TRIAL UNDER ARTICLE 47 OF THE EU CHARTER

14:15 **The interpretation of Article 47 of the EU Charter by the Court of Justice of the European Union**

- Effective remedy – Article 47(1) of the EU Charter
- Fair trial – Article 47(2) of the EU Charter
- Caselaw on Article 47 of the EU Charter

15:00 Discussion

15:15 Coffee break

15:45 **Case study: the right to a remedy or fair trial**

17:00 End of the first seminar day

20:30 Dinner

Objective

This seminar aims at increasing the participants' understanding of the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights along with its practical relevance. It will focus on the correct application of the EU Charter and the effective protection of fundamental rights in the EU. In order to ensure the training remains broad and appealing to a wide range of legal practitioners, but at the same time concrete and practical, important topics of general as well as current interest will be addressed.

Who should attend?

35 eligible legal professionals: judges, court staff, prosecutors, lawyers in private practice, in-house counsels, academics, ministry officials and public notaries from countries eligible for the Justice Programme.

You will learn...

- how and when to use the EU Charter in national courts
- what is the CJEU recent jurisprudence regarding the scope of application of the EU Charter
- how to apply Article 21 and 47 of the EU Charter in practice
- what is the case law on the right to an effective remedy and to a fair trial

Venue

National Institute of Magistracy,
Regina Elisabeta Blvd. 53 sector 5,
050019, Bucharest, Romania

Networking opportunity

Our legal training events in Barcelona offer a fantastic opportunity to connect with legal professionals and high-level speakers from different parts of Europe. Together, you will have the chance to network during our coffee breaks and enjoy regional culinary specialties during our networking dinner in a friendly atmosphere.

Networking dinner

On Monday, 26 October, you will have the chance to network with colleagues at our dinner.

Tuesday, 27 October 2026

III. NON-DISCRIMINATION UNDER THE EU CHARTER

- 09:30 **Introduction to the principle of non-discrimination under EU law**
- Non-discrimination in the EU legal framework
 - The role of Article 21 of the EU Charter
- 10:15 Discussion
- 10:30 Coffee break
- 11:00 **Workshop: non-discrimination under Article 21 of the EU Charter at the national level**
- 12:15 Evaluation of the training
- 12:30 End of the seminar

For programme updates: www.era.int
 Programme may be subject to amendment.

Your contacts



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Visit Bucharest

After a day of intensive exchange, discover Bucharest's unique blend of history and modernity. Stroll through the charming streets of the Old Town, admire the impressive architecture of the Palace of the Parliament – one of the largest administrative buildings in the world – or explore the city's vibrant cafés and cultural landmarks. In the evening, join us for an authentic Romanian dinner and experience the warm hospitality and rich culinary traditions of the Romanian capital.



CPD

ERA's programmes meet the standard requirements for recognition as Continuing Professional Development (CPD). Participation in the full programme of this event corresponds to 8 CPD hours.

A certificate of participation for CPD purposes with indication of the number of training hours completed will be issued on request. CPD certificates must be requested at the latest 14 days after the event.

Project website

Visit our website and learn more:
[EU Charter Training for Legal Professionals](#)

Application

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Applications for

The EU Charter in Legal Practice in Bucharest on 26-27 October 2026

can be made online until 3 September 2026 at:

www.era.int/en/event-number/426DT110

Important note concerning application:

Some national bar associations, judicial schools and chambers of notaries that are project partners reserved certain number of places for their applicants - please apply via them.

Others: please apply via the link above.

More information on project partners can be found on the project website.



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EU Charter Training for Legal Professionals

The training portfolio combines interactive face-to-face sessions, engaging online events, and flexible self-paced learning materials.

The transnational in-person programme includes two further cross-professional seminars on the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights in 2027 in Gdansk and in Lisbon), as well as one specialised seminar on EU Charter litigation designed for 35 lawyers in private practice (February 2027 in Trier).

The online training features four open-access webinars: two focusing on the protection of fundamental rights in the EU (in the first half of 2027) and two exploring digital tools related to the EU Charter (10 December 2026 and the second half of 2027).

To complement these activities, participants will have access to a rich collection of asynchronous learning materials, including an online library, audio resources, and video podcasts.

For more information visit:
<https://eucharter.era.int/>

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Important note

ERA reserves the right to cancel or postpone the event. We therefore strongly advise you not to make any travel or accommodation arrangements or other financial commitments before receiving our final confirmation.

Participation

Participation is open to all legal professionals (for example, lawyers in private practice, in-house counsels, judges, court staff, prosecutors, notaries, ministry officials, academics etc.) from countries (citizenship of, residency in or place of work in) eligible for the Justice Programme (all Member States except Denmark; including Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo*, Moldova** and Ukraine)

** this designation is without prejudice to positions on status*

*** this designation applies to the extent that participants do not replace the European quotas provided for*

Participants will be subject to a selection procedure.

Registration fee

There is no registration fee for participants nominated by project partners, who have reserved places for their applicants. Registration fee for all other participants is €150.

Travel expenses

Participants will receive a fixed contribution toward travel costs, which can be calculated on the European Commission website based on the distance from their place of work to the seminar location:

- €365 will be paid for return air, rail and combined air/rail journey between 401km and 1600km, and of €429 – over 1600km;
- €52 will be paid for intra-Member State return journeys by land between 50 and 400km;
- no contribution will be paid for travel under 50km.

The actual travel costs will not be taken into account.

All documents concerning travel expenses (e.g. booking confirmation, tickets, boarding passes) must be kept. Participants are responsible for booking their own travel.

To qualify for the contribution, all attendance sheets must be signed at the event. No payment is possible if the registered participant cancels their participation for any reason.

Accommodation expenses

International participants travelling from a distance more than 50 km will receive a fixed contribution of 109 €/night for 2 nights. Participants are responsible for booking their own accommodation.

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