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Shaping Expertise across European Justice Systems



FIND an Expert

A European project to better understand Expert proceedings and identify the judicial Experts of each country of the European Union.



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Current project **Find an Expert**

- Co-funded by the European Commission, led by the EEEI
-- 2017 – 2019 --
- Final Goal: Section “Find an Expert” on the e-justice-website
 - Information about expert proceedings in every EU-Member State
 - Links to some national databases of experts accredited by acknowledged institutions
 - First steps towards a European nomenclature



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Appointment of Experts in the EU: outline of the status quo

Lack of

- common directory of Experts in the EU
- EU nomenclature
- common provisions applicable to the appointment of Experts
- common standards for expert proceedings



Difficulties to

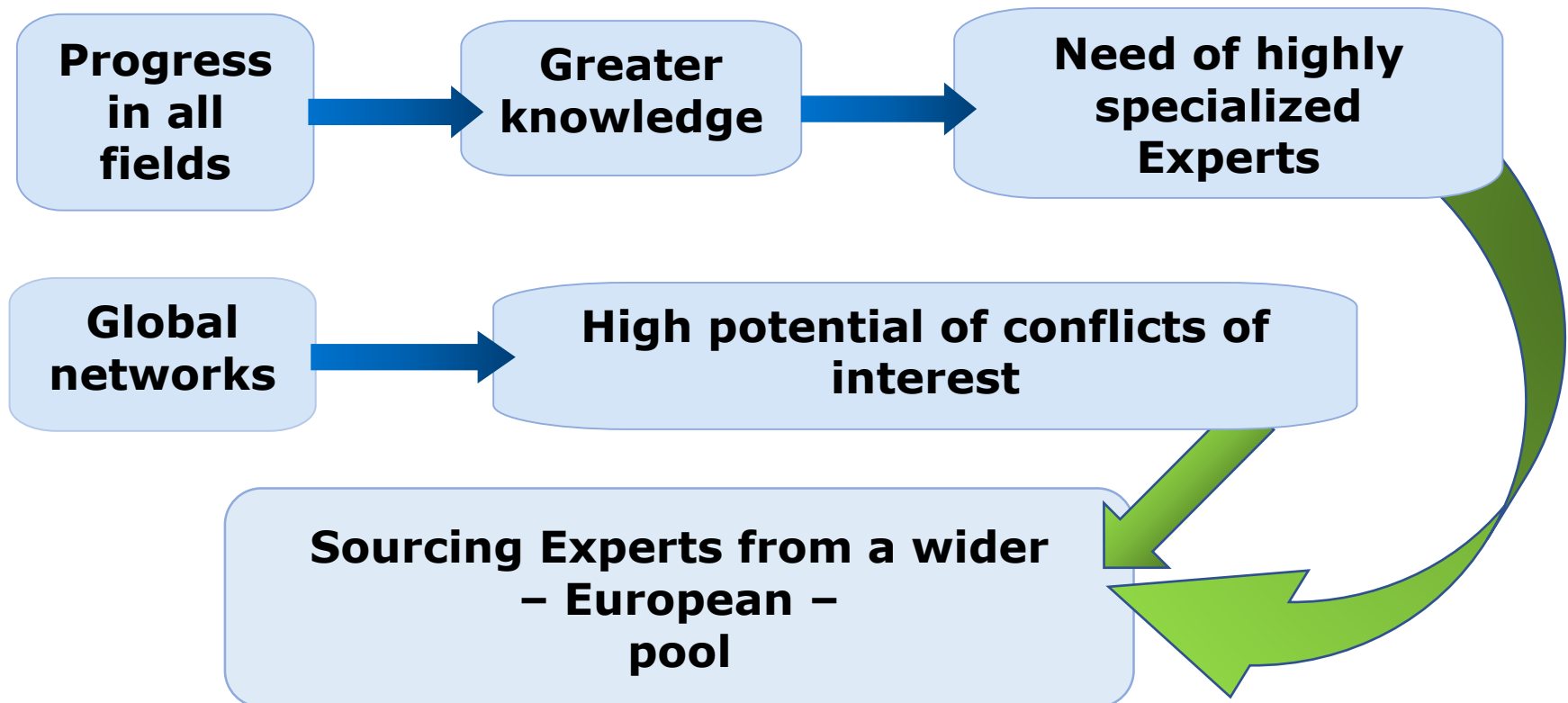
- find adequately qualified Experts from other Member States
- find Experts who are sufficiently specialised but not conflicted
- use a foreign Expert's reports in domestic court proceedings



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- Positive effects of the project:





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- Persons and entities benefiting from the project:
 - Judges
 - Lawyers
 - Parties to court proceedings
 - Researchers, journalists



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- The project will enable all these stakeholders to:
 - identify existing national registers of Experts and entities managing lists of Experts
 - find an adequate Expert for their specific case
 - learn about judicial expertise in other Member States



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- Information provided comprises:
 - Experts registers or lists in use
 - the conduct of the proceedings
 - appointment of Experts
 - the Expert's report
 - the requirements for becoming an Expert
 - Experts' obligations
 - the remuneration of Experts
 - the liability of Experts



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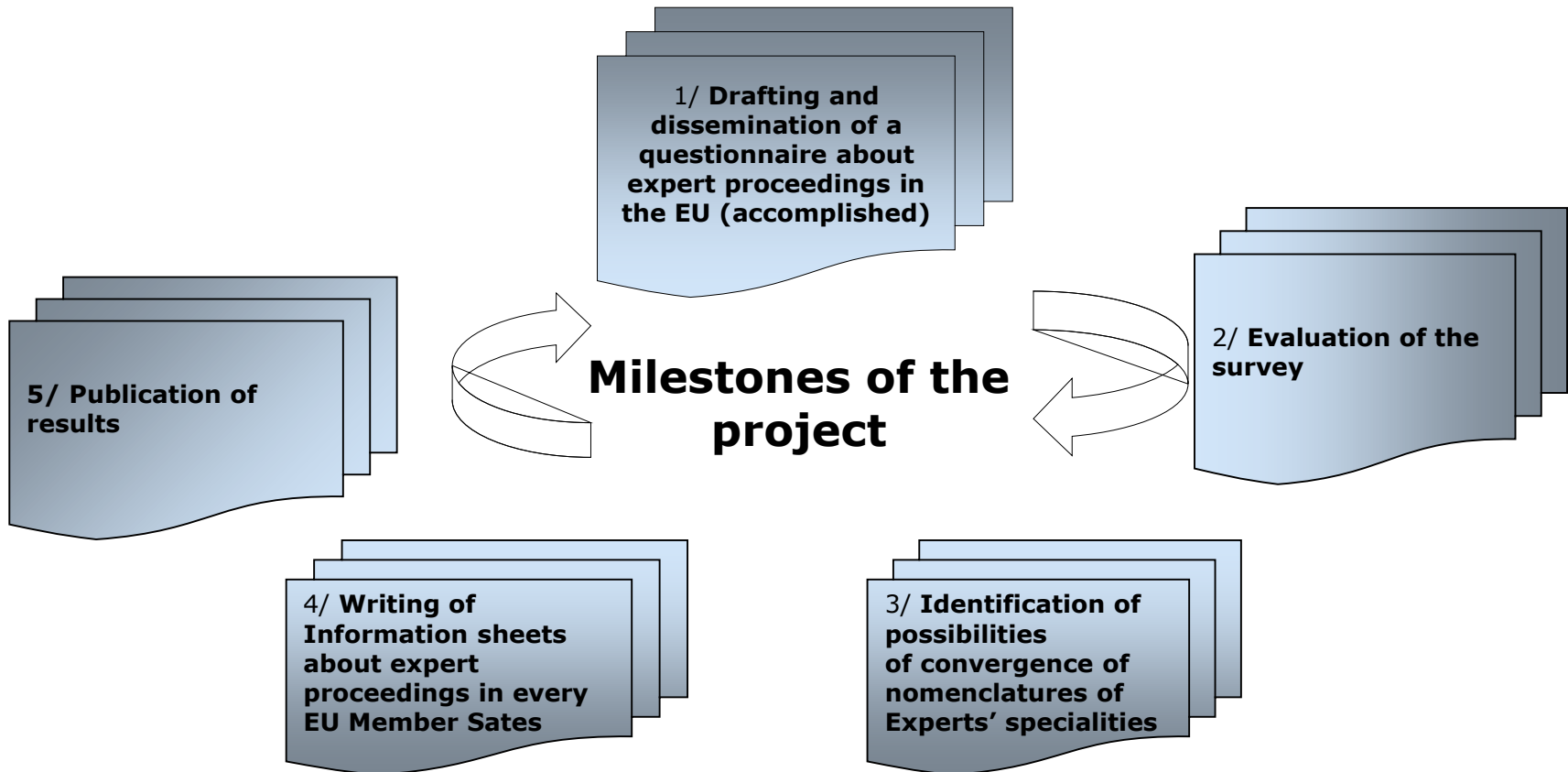
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- The project will:
 - Provide information about expert proceedings in every EU Member State → develop mutual trust
 - accelerate the consensus between Member States in order to create European expert lists, methods of skills and knowledge control as well as training of Experts and thus improve the quality of judicial expertise in the European Union
 - Contribute to creating a harmonised nomenclature as a first step towards the establishment of European expert proceedings → improve the quality of Justice



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Coordination of the project

A co-management

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(BE)

A steering committee

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(ES)

Luisa Proença,
responsible for the
European Funds for
Justice
(PT)

Gerardo Herranz, public
Affairs Director - Cogiti
(ES)

Composition of the team

25 - 30 people

Experts, judges, lawyers,
academics;

from more than 10 EU
Member States

**4 Work Packages
(WP)**

**7 Working Groups
(WG)**

**Scientific Committee
(SC)**



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- Schedule - September - December 2017:
 - identification of participants in the survey (WG)
 - drafting of a questionnaire (SC): 72 questions about expert proceedings in the EU



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- Schedule - 2018:

January: Implementation of the questionnaire into an online tool (WP)

March: Dissemination of the questionnaire (WP)

April - May: Preparation of a template for the information sheets about expert proceedings in the EU (SC)

June: Start of the evaluation of the results of the survey: drafting of information sheets (WG)



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- Schedule - 2019:

January: Start of validation of the information sheets (Steering Committee), start of the work on possible common nomenclatures (SC)

August: Online publication of the results of the project on the e-justice-website under the section "Find an Expert":

European e-justice.eu portal



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Additional information:

Partners of the EEEI

Portuguese Ministry of Justice (PT)
French Ministry of Justice (FR)

The Dutch National Register of Court Experts - LRGD (NL)

The French Association of IT judicial experts - CNEJITA (FR)

Independent organisation of judicial expert in administrative and environmental law in the Netherlands - STAB (NL)

Company of the experts of Justice near the Appeal Court of Metz (FR)

Asociació Catalana de Perits Judicials i Forenses (ES)



Additional information:

Other activities of the EEEI

- European Commission for the efficiency of justice (CEPEJ)
 EEEI has been appointed by the CEPEJ as observer in the Evaluation Working Group GT-QUAL and GT-EVAL

Publications



Oct. 2014

Expertise de justice *Quel avenir en Europe ?* by Bruylant, on Civil legal expertise in EU, co-authored by ten European authors under the direction of Ms Patricia Grandjean



Oct. 2015

The Guide of good practice in civil judicial expertise in the EU – Translations available: IT, BG, DE, RO, PT, PL on the EEEI website



Oct. 2016

A book about good practices in civil judicial expertise with comments from several stakeholders, edited by Bruylant editions

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