



IMOLA II Closing Conference

e-Justice, LRI and beyond

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What is e-Justice?

- Digital solutions in the justice area to promote cross-border access to Justice
- Commission - Council Working Party on e-Justice
- Main deliverable: the European e-Justice Portal
- Portal: a one-stop shop for information on Justice in the EU (procedures etc) together with interactive tools (Find-a-lawyer, BRIS, Court Database and **LRI!**)
- Work is based on 5-year Action Plans – latest AP 2019-2023.

Action Plan 2019-2023

- Adopted at JHA Council on 5-6 December
- 26 actions, 5 on reserve list, 5 practitioners' projects
- 3 main areas: access to information, e-communications and interoperability
- Includes action on Land Registers Interconnection (action 2)

Action 2: Land registers interconnection

- Goals:
 - Create an interconnection for land registers in Member States
 - Create a tool for querying land registers
- Actions:
 - Connect the national land register(s) to the LRI application on the e-Justice Portal
 - ...including authentication and authorisation of court professionals who may use privileged functions
 - Implement an e-Payment solution for payment of fees linked with LRI
- Proposed by AT, leader COM

Linked actions: AI for justice

- Potential goals:
 - Define the role which AI might play in the field of justice
 - Develop an AI tool for analysis of court decisions
- Actions:
 - Draft a report describing the state of play of AI tools developed in Member States
 - Develop applications for use in national judiciaries, taking into account the specific needs of the judiciary
- Project led by Commission and FR
- Commission is carrying out a study on new technologies – AI and blockchain

5th Anti-Money Laundering Directive

Article 32b

1. **Member States** shall provide FIUs and competent authorities with access to information which allows the identification in a timely manner of any **natural or legal persons owning real estate**, including **through registers or electronic data retrieval systems** where such registers or systems are available.

5th Anti-Money Laundering Directive (cont)

Article 32b

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2. By 31 December 2020, the Commission shall submit a **report** to the European Parliament and to the Council assessing the necessity and proportionality of **harmonising the information included in the registers** and assessing the need for the **interconnection of those registers**. Where appropriate, that report shall be accompanied by a legislative proposal.