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XXXIV GENERAL ASSEMBLY & 3rd ELRN WORKSHOP

29th & 30th October
Barcelona

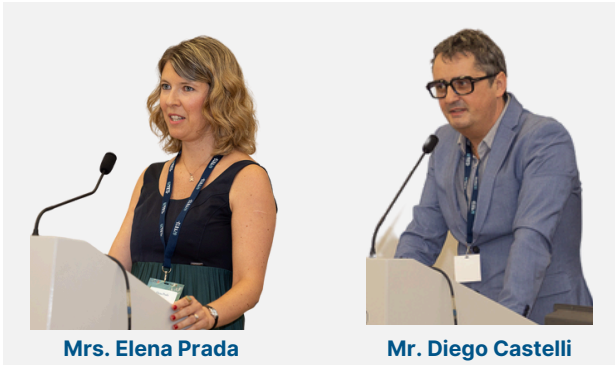
2° ELRN Workshop in Trento, Italy

June, 11th & 12th

The **2nd European Land Registry Network (ELRN) Workshop** took place on the 11th and 12th of June in Trento, Italy.

Hosting by Libro Fondiario e Castasto - Provincia Autonoma di Trento, the event gathered representatives from 23 member associations across Europe, with a total of 54 participants, 43 of whom attended in person.

Host: Libro Fondiario e Castasto - Provincia Autonoma di Trento



Mrs. Elena Prada

Mr. Diego Castelli

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The workshop began with a **welcome session** led by Mr. **Mihai Taus**, ELRA President and, Mr. **Diego Castelli**, General Chief of Servizio Libro Fondiario - introduced by Mrs. **Elena Prada**, ELRA Treasurer and Contact Point within the ELRA network -.

Day 1

The day started with the intervention of **Prof. Rusconi** (Milan University), who examined land registry systems and the Italian transcription model. Followed by Mr. **Francisco Gimeno**, ELRA SG and ELRN Coordinator, that led a session on the registration of cross-border divorce cases in EU land registries. In addition, Mrs. **Haldi Koit**, DG JUST, EC, presented the European Commission's initiatives for the digitalisation of judicial cooperation in civil matters.

The day concluded with a panel exploring the AI's role in land registration:

- **Mr. Jacques Vos** (ELRA Board member): The use of Videoconferencing
- **Dott. Eng. Mohammed Kussai** (General Director, Trentino Digitale): The role of AI technologies in modernising land registries
- **Mr. Lorenzo Marcolla** and **Mr. Alessandro de Gaetano** (Servizio Libro Fondiario e Catasto): The application of artificial intelligence in land registration processes



Day 2

During the second day, Mr. **Māris Kumerdanks** (Latvia) presented the conclusions of the study into property rights of foreign nationals. While Mrs. **Luisa Clode** (ASCR) who shared the ELRA questionnaire on voluntary measures for protecting vulnerable adults. Mrs. **Elena Prada** followed with an overview of personal data protection challenges for land registries.

Judge Marta Rekawek-Pachwicewicz, District Court in Białystok and. Mr. **Mihai Taus**, outlined the national requirements for the European Certificate of Succession (ECS).

The day finished with **Judge Michele Cuccaro** (Rovereto Court) who examined the role of usucapion across different jurisdictions.



We sincerely thank you all ELRN members and speakers for their valuable contributions to our ELRN Workshop!



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IMOLA IV Project 4th Training Seminar

12 June, Trento

Topic: “Study on Mortgages and their Enforcement in Europe”

1. Handbook on Mortgage Presentation
2. Land Registry Vocabulary
3. Comparative Study on Mortgages



OUR SPEAKERS

Prof. Elena Ioriatti (University of Trento) provided a deep dive into legal terminology and the linguistic underpinnings of legal concepts.



Judge Michele Cuccaro (Rovereto Court, Italy) followed with an overview of enforceable titles and the requirements for registering mortgage inscriptions centering his presentation on Regulation (EU) No 1215/2012 (Brussels Ia), including its impact on the circulation of judgments and authentic instruments across Member States.



Mr. **Rafael Vale Reis** (CENoR) presented the draft Mortgage Handbook, its structure and collaborative process, encouraging all partners to contribute updates from their national legal frameworks.



Mrs. **Elena Prada** (WP2 Coordinator) provided an overview of the Mortgage and Land Registry Publicity questions. She highlighted preliminary findings from the questionnaires already completed by participating associations and outlined next steps for data collection.



Mrs. **Anabel Fraga** introduced the ongoing work on the Land Registry Vocabulary, including the updated UML model for the IMOLA IV Knowledge Manager and the use of I-KOS.



OTHER ACTIVITIES

CALENDAR: MAY

- **The World Bank:** Securing Land Tenure and Access for Climate Action - Washington, 5th-8th May. Speaker: Mihai Taus, ELRA President
- **Meeting with LTSA:** Land Title and Survey Authority of British Columbia - Online, 15th May.
- **ERA:** Annual Conference on European Succession Law - Online, 22-23 May
- **Horizon Europe SMURF Project:** EU Conference of Private Forest Holdings - Roma, 20th - 22nd May. Participant: **Francisco J: Gimeno (Secretary General)**



Francisco J: Gimeno (Secretary General), SMURF Project, Roma

CALENDAR: JUNE

On **10 June**, the ELRA held an **in-person Board Meeting** in Trento. Alongside all ELRA members, both internal and strategic topics of key importance were thoroughly discussed throughout the day. The session, organized by ELRA Treasurer, Mrs. **Elena Prada**, concluded with a visit to the **Esposizione Storica del Libro Fondiario e Catasto**, showcasing historic land registry maps, documents, and instruments dating back over the past 150 years.

- **European Parliament:** Conference HOUS Committee - **Brussels, 4th & 5th June**
- **ELRA: Board Meeting - Trento, 10th June**
- **European Commission:** Kick-off Meeting 2025 DG Justice - Brussels, 17th & 18th June.
- **European Parliament:** Conference HOUS Committee - Brussels, 25th June.
- **ELI Council meeting** - Online, 30th June



MEET ELRA'S LAND REGISTRY ASSOCIATION

INTERVIEW: LIBRO FONDIARIO E CATASTO - PROVINCIA AUTONOMA DI TRENTO



TOPICS COVERS:

- About Libro Fondiario
- Its History
- Benefits to be ELRA Members
- Libro Fondiario in ELRA Activities

"As mentioned above, by actively participating in and hosting ELRA events, we have built a foundation of trust and collaboration with colleagues across Europe. These strengthened relationships are crucial for facilitating ongoing dialogue, sharing best practices, and coordinating joint initiatives. Moreover, the personal connections established through this experience create a supportive environment that encourages continuous exchange of knowledge and swift cooperation when facing complex or cross-border legal issues".

"Participation in ELRA makes us feel part of a cohesive group in which shared needs and challenges - despite the structural differences between the systems of various Member States - are duly recognized and addressed."



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LIBRO FONDIARIO E CATASTO - PROVINCIA AUTONOMA DI TRENTO



ELENA PRADA

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ELRA Treasurer &
Contact Point



[Full interview](#)





ELRA IN ELI NEWSLETTER: MARCH & APRIL

Joint Participation in Meetings, Webinars and Conferences:

Over the years, ELRA has actively participated in various **meetings and webinars organized by the European Law Institute (ELI)**. In 2024, ELRA took part in five webinars, including the **ELI Chapter on Fundamental Constitutional Principles** meetings, as well as the **ELI Annual Conference** held on 11 October in Dublin.

ELI has also shown continued support for **ELRA's milestones**. Notably, on 5 - 6 November 2024, ELRA celebrated its **20 anniversary** alongside its **Annual General Assembly**.

We were honour to welcome ELI Executive Committee member, **Dr Aneta Wiewiorowska-Domagalska**, for join us for this special occasion.

ELRA, ELI Member, was invited to collaborate in the March & April 2025 Newsletter edition. Mr. **Mihai Taus**, ELRA President, representing ELRA, highlighted the association's key achievements and ongoing commitment to legal certainty and interoperability in Europe.

Highlights from the ELRA Contributions:

- **20+ years of contribution:** ELRA brings together national land registry organizations from 27 European countries, promoting and exchange of best practice across Europe.
- **Innovative projects:** four consecutive editions of IMOLA Project and the European Land Registry Document (ELRD) foster legal interoperability across borders.
- **Adoption of the Statute of Land Registrars in Europe:** Recognizes land registrars as independent legal professionals serving the public interest.
- **Commitment to legal certainty:** Land registries contribute to social cohesion, economic stability, and the rule of law across the EU.
- **Forward-looking vision:** ELRA balance innovation such as Artificial Intelligence within the land registration systems.

What is ELI ?

Established in 2011 and officially recognized as an international non-profit association under Belgian law, the European Law Institute (ELI) is a democratic and independent organization driven by its members. Its core mission is to enhance the quality of European law by promoting legal research and providing practical recommendations and guidance to support the development of European legal systems.



EUROPEAN NEWS

A simpler Single Market to make companies choose Europe



The European Commission has presented a Single Market Strategy to create a simpler and stronger European home market.

The Strategy appeals Member States to contribute in making the EU market the best choice for the industry, workers and consumers by reducing existing barriers that holding back the intra-EU trade and investments, helps SMEs to operate their activities while boosting digitalisation on businesses.

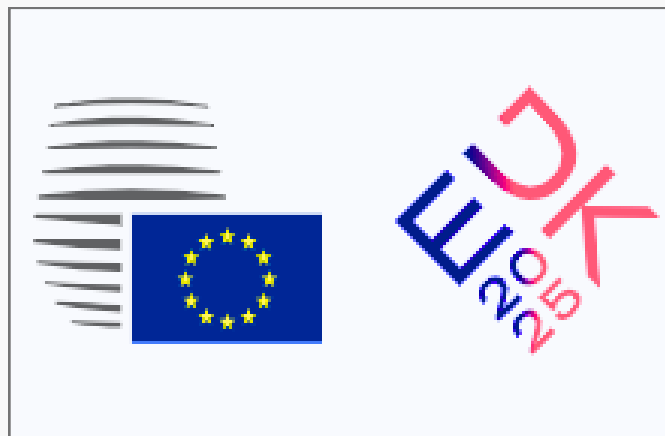
Priorities of the [Single Market Strategy](#):

- Dismantling barriers
- Bring new dynamism to Europe's service sector
- Support SME's development and growth
- Simplify existing rules and make digitalisation the norm
- Improve joint ownership of the Single Market

Danish EU Presidency (July - December 2025)

Starting July 1st, Denmark will hold the rotating presidency of the Council of European Union. Under the motto "A Strong Europe in a Changing World", the presidency will focus on strengthening common security, boosting competitiveness, and advancing the green transition.

Key events include 15 informal ministerial meetings, two summits in Denmark, and a European Council leaders' meeting in Copenhagen on 1 October. Enlargement will be a top priority, with support for Ukraine, Moldova, and the Western Balkans, alongside efforts to uphold the rule of law. The presidency will officially launch on 3 July in Aarhus, with European leaders attending and a public event featuring music and debates.



Data Protection Under GDPR



The EU's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) sets strict rules for how businesses handle personal data, applying even to non-EU companies targeting EU customers. It covers a wide range of personal information, with extra protections for sensitive data like health, religion, or political views. Businesses must have a clear legal basis to process data and follow principles like data minimization and purpose limitation. They may also need to appoint a Data Protection Officer and must respect user rights such as access, deletion, and portability. In force since May 2018, the GDPR aims to unify data protection across the EU and strengthen enforcement.

Source (websites): the official European Commission

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