

# Justice Without Litigation for Europe II Economic Working Group

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# **Project Summary**

Initial Situation and Solution Approach



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## OECD Legal Instruments

Recommendation of the Council on Access to Justice and People-Centred Justice Systems (on 12 July 2023)

#### as proposed by the Public Governance Committee

- I. Agreement
  - Access to Justice refers to the ability of people, businesses and communities to prevent conflicts and obtain effective, fair, equitable and timely resolution of their legal and justice-related needs.
  - Justice pathways refer to formal and informal pre-court and court mechanisms and services used by people and other stakeholders to prevent legal issues and/or seek their resolution.



## Project summary

Initial Situation – Problem Outline

- Some Member States are modernising the civil justice systems by transferring noncontentious tasks from the judiciary to other entities.
  - Procedural standards and the rule of law have to be guaranteed!
  - In some MS notaries are already entrusted with such tasks (e.g. in succession, family law, taking of evidence).
- National systems differ in tackling the issues of out-of-court justice by notaries.
  - At cross-border level, such procedures need to be facilitated, and their enforcement improved through better procedures and case-handling.
- Comparisons and systematic knowledge of such 'outsourcing' are scarce.
  - Externalized justice is only partially reflected by EU civil justice instruments.



## Conditions for outsourcing

State perspective



# Study part II

Economic Analysis





## Research Dimensions and Structure



Geographic Area

→ 22 EU-MS



Proceedings

→ Legal Statistics



Efficiency / Quality

→ Expenditures

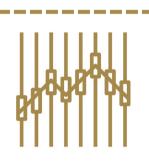


Accessibility

→ Citizen-centred



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Indicators







Transparency

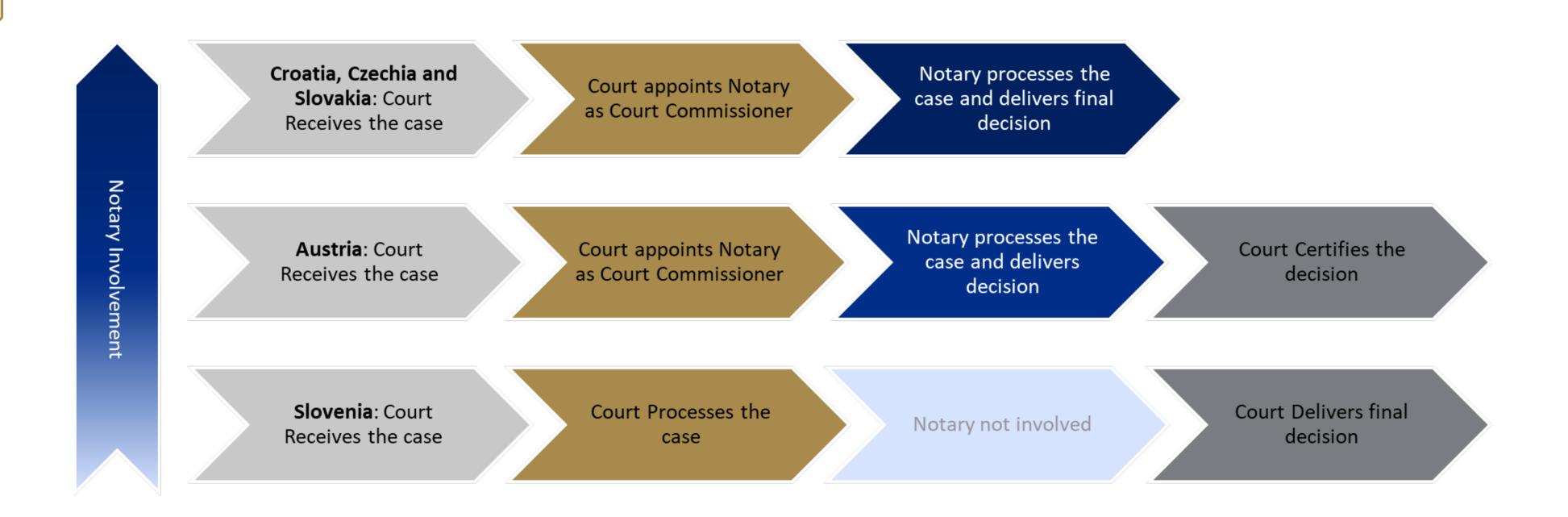


Policy Conclusions



### **Show Case**

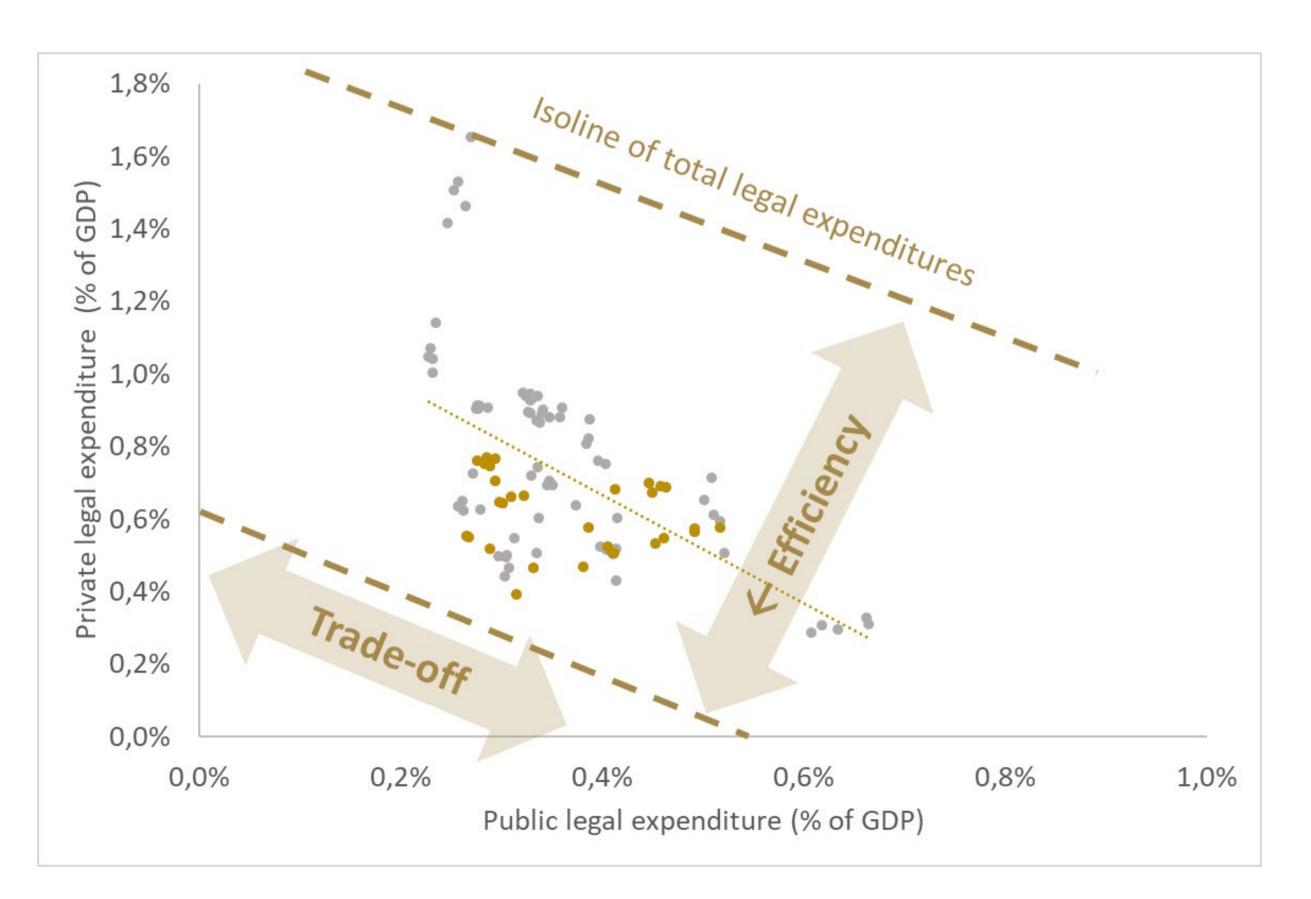
### Succession Process



For special fields of proceedings there are differences between the countries.



# Relationship between Public and Private Legal Expenditure (EU 2014,2016,2018)



Show case from JuWiLi I



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#### **Public Governance Committee**

- I. Agreement
- II. Recommendations
  - 1. Establish a people-centred purpose and culture in the justice system
  - 2. Design and deliver people-centred legal and justice services
    - c) ensuring that justice is within reach for everyone regardless of their geographical location, including rural and remote areas, promoting mobility to bring the justice and legal services directly to the people.
  - 3. Establish a governance infrastructure that enables people-centred justice
  - 4. Empower people to make people-centred justice transformation happen
  - 5. Commit to participatory and evidence-based planning, monitoring, and evaluation



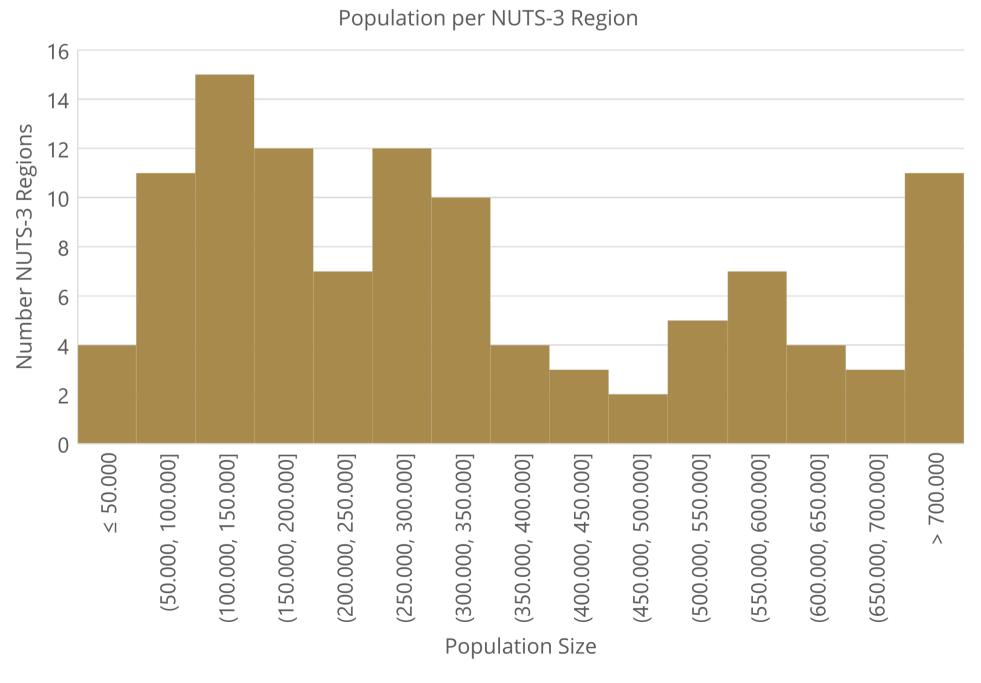
## Accessibility

## The Hexagonale Showcase

#### **Population per NUTS-3**



#### Histogramm





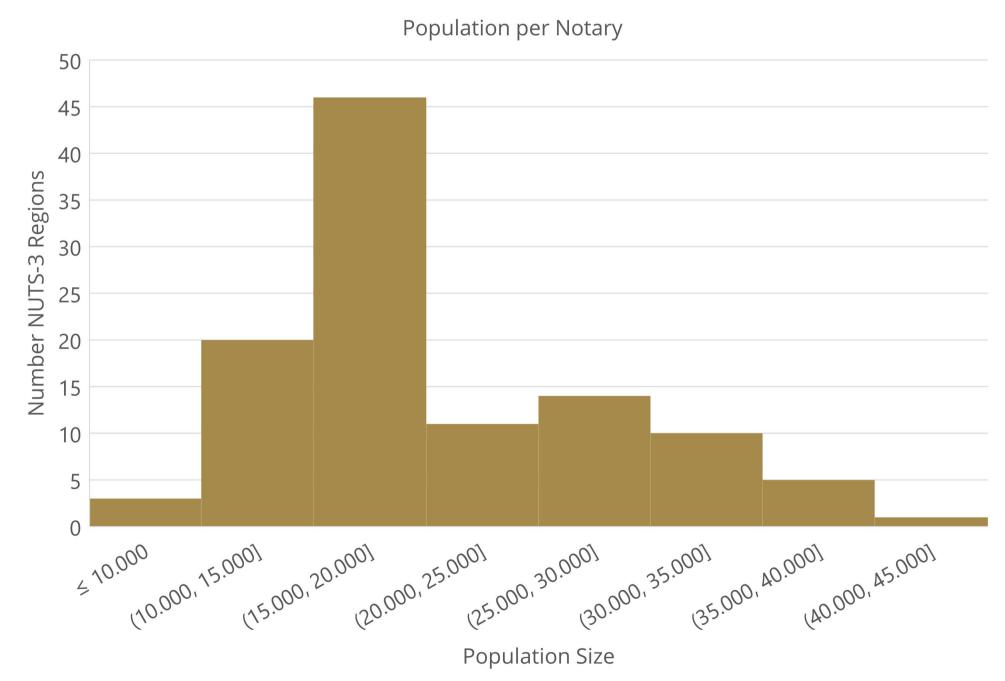
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## The Hexagonale Showcase

#### **Population per Notary**



#### Histogramm



Very balanced provision of notarial services within the Hexagonale countries

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# Accessibility

The Hexagonale Showcase

Population per NUTS-3 and notary



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## State of Play

Progression of the Working Group Economic

- Data collection from publicly available sources
  - → 80%+
- Real world data (RWD) collection from notaries from 22 JuWiLi partner countries
  - → Questionnaire design finished, in the field right now.
- (Comparative) data analysis
  - → Updated JuWiLi I countries and extended by new members, ongoing
- Visualization of results
  - → preliminary results
- Special topics
  - → planning phase
- Deductions for welfare and conclusions on efficiency, quality and accessibility
  - → when all previous tasks are finished
- Synthesis with other working groups throughout the process

