INVITATION TO BUILDING BRIDGES

JUSTICE WITHOUT LITIGATION

FINAL CONFERENCE

Modern, digital, people-centred justice in Europe – innovative concepts by notaries.

3 DECEMBER 2026
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PROGRAMME

13h30 REGISTRATION

14h00 OPENING
Prof. Claus Spruzina, *President of the Austrian Chamber of Civil-Law Notaries*
Roland Wadge, *President of the Council of the Notariats of the European Union*
Michael McGrath, *European Commissioner for Democracy, Justice, the Rule of Law and Consumer Protection of Justice**

14h30 HOW TO MAKE NON-CONTENTIOUS JUSTICE BETTER IN EUROPE?
Prof. Brigitta Lurger, *University of Graz, Austria*
Mihael Zupančič, *Slovenian Minister of Justice**
Adam Šimice, *Czech Deputy Minister of Justice**
Karen Vandekerckhove, *Head of Civil Justice Unit, DG JUST A2, European Commission**

15h10 SIDE TALK: THE NEED FOR PEOPLE-CENTRED JUSTICE
Axel Sonntag, *Accenture, Austria*
Maaike de Langen, *Senior Policy Advisor, OECD**

15h30 SIDE TALK: THE RULE OF LAW AS A KEY FACTOR
Prof. Karl Stöger, *University of Vienna, Austria*
Jože Štrus, *European Commission, DG JUST C1**
Magdalena Arendt, *Vice President of the Polish Council of Notaries*

15h55 COFFEE BREAK

16h25 THE ECONOMIC SIDE: LEVERING ADVANTAGES FOR CITIZENS AND STATES
Helmut Berrer, *Economica – Institute for Economic Research in Vienna, Austria*
Eftychia Katsigaraki, *Ministry of Justice, Greece*
Lithuanian Permanent Representation to the EU*

17h00 THINK DIGITAL! GO FOR DIGITAL!
Bernhard Waltl, *Co-CEO Liquid Legal Institute, Germany*
François-Xavier Bary, *Director of ARERT and Deputy Director General ADSN, France*
Jorge Batista da Silva, *President of the Portuguese Order of Notaries*
Prof. Dirk Staudenmayer, *Head of Digital Transition and Judicial Training Unit, DG JUST A1**

17h30 OUTLOOK / REFLECTIONS BY THE JUWILI CHAIRS
Alice Perscha, *Notary in Leoben, Austria*
Elsemiek Apers, *International Council of the Belgian Notariat*

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Berenika Wünschová, *Secretary General of the Czech Chamber of Notaries, Czechia*
Markus Brückner, *German Federal Chamber of Notaries*
Alex Dijk/Theo Leyh, *Royal Dutch Association of Civil-Law Notaries, The Netherlands*

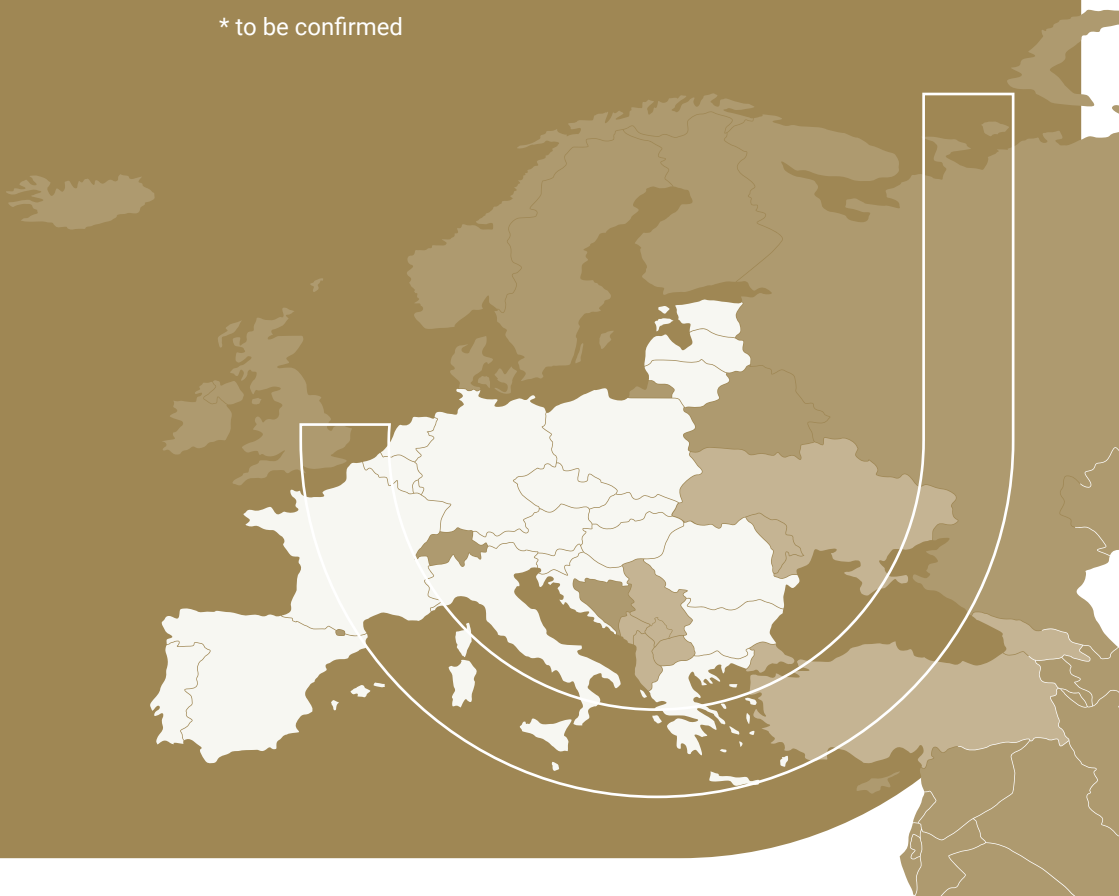
17h50 **CLOSING REMARKS**
Annerie Ploumen, *Dutch CNUE Presidency 2027*
Stephan Matyk-d'Anjony, *JuWiLi II Project Coordinator*

18h00 **COCKTAIL RECEPTION**

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