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**Programme**  
**Conference on the Establishment of the  
European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO)**  
**“State of Play and Perspectives”**

Venue: T.M.C. Asser Instituut, The Hague, the Netherlands  
Date: Thursday 7 July (afternoon) and Friday 8 July (entire day) 2016

**First day: Thursday 7 July 2016**

- 12.30 – 13.30 **Arrival and registration** of participants; with an informal lunch
- 13.30 – 13.40 **Welcome** by representatives of the Asser Institute and the Law Faculty of Leiden University
- 13.40 – 14.00 **Introductory remarks on the proposal to establish an EPPO**  
Prof. Dr John VERVAELE, Utrecht University, the Netherlands, President of the AIDP
- 14.00 – 15.00 **Setting the scene – Panel session on the State of Play in the EPPO Negotiations**  
Chair: Mr Tom DE BRUIJN, Alderman of the City of The Hague, Former Permanent Representative of the Netherlands to the EU
- **Account of progress achieved, by a representative of the outgoing Netherlands' Presidency** – Mr Marnix ALINK, Legal Adviser, Netherlands Permanent Representation to the EU
  - **Mapping out the main issues to be resolved, by a representative of the incoming Slovak Presidency** – Ms Dagmar FILLOVA, Criminal Law Legislation Division, Ministry of Justice of Slovakia
  - **A view on the State of Play and Perspectives from the European Commission** – Mr Peter CSONKA, Adviser of the Criminal Justice Directorate, Commission
  - **A view on the State of Play and Perspectives from the European Parliament** – Dr Wouter VAN BALLEGOOIJ, Directorate on Impact Assessment and European Added Value, DG European Parliamentary Research Service, European Parliament
- 15.00 – 15.15 **Discussion**
- 15.15 – 15.45 **BREAK**
- First session:* **Possible assessment criteria**  
Chair: Mr Jan Watse FOKKENS, Procurator General, Supreme Court of the Netherlands
- 15.45 – 16.10 **The legislative framework in terms of Better Regulation**  
Prof. Dr Ester HERLIN-KARNELL, VU University Amsterdam, the Netherlands
- 16.10 – 16.35 **Main human rights principles entailed in the legislative framework**  
Prof. Dr Valsamis MITSILEGAS, Queen Mary University, London, UK
- 16.35 – 17.00 **EU constitutional principles and certain procedural safeguards as part of the rules of procedure for EPPO (art. 86 par. 3 TFEU)** – Prof. Dr Holger MATT, Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt am Main, Germany

17.00 – 17.30 **Discussion**

17.30 – 19.00 RECEPTION

### Second day: Friday 8 July 2016

9.00 – 09.30 **Confirmation (obligatory) of registration** and coffee / tea with a croissant

*Second session: **Substantive issues under EPPO's legislative framework***

Chair: Judge Ezio PERILLO, Civil Service Tribunal, Court of Justice of the EU

09.30 – 09.55 **Extent of EPPO's criminal law responsibilities in the light of the PIF directive and the CJEU Taricco Judgement**

Prof. Dr Rosaria SICURELLA, Ordinario, Università di Catania, Italy

09.55 – 10.20 **Ancillary crimes and *ne bis in idem***

Mr Eric SITBON, Legal Adviser, Council Legal Service

10.20 – 10.50 **Discussion**

10.50 – 11.20 BREAK

*Third session: **Procedural issues under EPPO's legislative framework***

Chair: Dr Pim GEELHOED, Leiden University, the Netherlands

11.20 – 11.45 **Forum choice and judicial review under EPPO's legislative framework**

Prof. Dr Michiel LUCHTMAN, Utrecht University, the Netherlands

11.45 – 12.10 **Applicable law and admissibility of evidence**

Dr Els DE BUSSEER, The Hague University of Applied Sciences, the Netherlands

12.10 – 12.40 **Discussion**

12.40 – 14.00 LUNCH

*Fourth session: **Institutional issues under EPPO's legislative framework***

Chair: Prof. Arjen MEIJ, T.M.C. Asser Instituut & University of Luxemburg

14.00 – 14.25 **Internal structure and decentralised decision-making**

Prof. Dr Andre KLIP, Maastricht University, the Netherlands

14.25 – 14.50 **Cooperation between the EPPO and OLAF** – Ms Irene SACRISTÁN SÁNCHEZ, Deputy Head of Unit Policy Development and Hercule, OLAF

14.50 – 15.15 **Cooperative relations between EPPO and Eurojust in investigative actions**

Prof. Dr Anne WEYEMBERGH, Free University of Brussels, Belgium

15.15 – 15.45 **Discussion**

15.45 – 16.15 BREAK

16.15 – 17.00 **Summa summarum: Assessing EPPO's *raison d'être* in the light of the debates**

Chair: Prof. Dr John VERVAELE, Utrecht University, President of the AIDP

- Mr Hubert LEGAL, Director-General, Legal Adviser to the Council
- Prof. Dr Alex BRENNINKMEIJER, Member of the European Court of Auditors, Professor Utrecht University
- Mr Klaus MEYER-CABRI, National Member for Germany at Eurojust, chair of the Eurojust Brussels Team and member of the Eurojust Task Force dealing with EPPO

17.00 – 17.30 FAREWELL DRINK