





EUROPEAN LAW INSTITUTE



## Welcome

'The European Law Institute (ELI), with its members comprised of judges, academics, practicing lawyers and jurists of other vocational backgrounds from across Europe and beyond, has given voice to the European legal community. ELI has fostered a common vision in support of the rule of law and fundamental principles that tackles the challenges of digitalisation and AI, as well as those of climate justice and the environment.'

The law in Europe has a profound impact on society. Any unnecessary uncertainty and complexity in the law attribute to jurisdictional fragmentation and ultimately to a general dissatisfaction with the administration of justice. As an independent organisation, ELI aims at improving the quality of the law, supporting its development and contributing to its proper implementation both at national, European and International levels.

ELI is partly modelled on the American Law Institute (ALI), which was founded in 1923 and has since become a landmark institution in the American legal system. Like its American counterpart, ELI aims to unite jurists of the highest standing from all branches and professions of the law.

At the heart of ELI's activities are its projects, which can be long-term endeavours or quick reactions to legislative developments.

The Institute operates on its own initiative but is also open for cooperation with other institutions that share its vision. Since its foundation, the Institute has established close working relations with several European institutions such as the European Parliament, the European Commission and the Council of Europe as well as international institutions such as the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) and the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (UNIDROIT).



**Pascal Pichonnaz** President of the European Law Institute



ELI is characterised by the diversity of its members and its work scope. It is quite unusual that its Members consist of experts on the one hand as well as institutions like supreme courts, universities and law firms on the other. Its work programme is marked by a broad spectrum of topics and, above all, contains projects aiming at the development of the European legal order. Austria is proud to have been chosen as the seat of ELI at the University of Vienna.

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Alexander Van der Bellen President of Austria

> Despite its young existence, ELI has already established itself as a leading independent organisation whose scholarly work contributes to clarifying, modernising and otherwise improving European law, understood in a broad sense. It provides European scholars with an ideal institutional framework within which they can exchange ideas and learn about each other's national experiences. Most importantly, ELI gives new impetus to the comparative law method in the 21st century, a method of interpretation that enhances the legitimacy of the EU by interlocking European and national legal orders.

> > Koen Lenaerts President of the Court of Justice of the EU (CJEU)

We have a lot of things to do to convince different citizens that the rule of law is not just an abstract concept for some judges and lawyers, but it is very important if you have a conflict with the authorities, with businesses, or with other citizens, that you have the capacity to go to an independent, qualified, and efficient judge to defend your position. We need to explain that better and better, but I know that we are doing that together with the European Law Institute and I am sure that we will continue to work on it with the Institute.

> **Didier Reynders** European Commissioner for Justice

# A Unique Platform

ELI is committed to the principles of comprehensiveness and collaborative working, thus striving to bridge A Unique Platform the oft-perceived gap between the different legal cultures, between public and private law, as well as between scholarship and practice.

ELI is a unique, democratic, membership-based organisation established under Belgian law as an 'Association Internationale Sans But Lucratif' (AISBL). Founded in June 2011 as an entirely independent organisation, ELI aims to improve the quality of European law. It is currently headquartered in Austria, where the Secretariat is hosted by the University of Vienna.

Building on the wealth of diverse legal traditions, its mission is the quest for better law-making in Europe, the enhancement of European legal integration and the formation of a more vigorous European legal community.

The uniqueness of ELI's membership base is expanded upon in more depth on pages 6 and 7.

As an organisation committed to the principles of comprehensiveness and collaborative working, ELI strives to bridge the oft-perceived gap between different legal cultures, between public and private law, as well as between scholarship and practice. To further that commitment it seeks to involve a diverse range of personalities, reflecting the richness of the legal traditions, legal disciplines and vocational frameworks found throughout Europe.





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### A Membership-Based Organisation

It is ELI's constituents that run and shape its course. It is its Members, through its elected Council, that approve projects to go ahead under the Institute's auspices, and it is its Members that critique and ultimately vote on whether to approve the results of projects as worthy of ELI's seal.

### **Embracing Diverse Perspectives**

ELI builds on the wealth of diverse legal traditions and legal vocations in Europe in its quest for better law-making. As such, in the composition of its Membership and Project Teams, the Institute strives to integrate the views of jurists from the bar, bench, and academy. ELI also engages the insights of key stakeholders in the execution of its activities. In doing so, it is assured that the resulting output constitutes a balanced and considered resource to the legal profession, legislatures and courts.

### Spanning the Breadth of the Law

ELI's work spans all branches of law, from substantive to procedural; civil to criminal and private to public.

By fostering a vibrant and vigorous European legal community and cross-border cooperation, ELI has contributed substantially, not only to work with national governments and European institutions, but also to upholding the rule of law. Therefore, Austria is proud to be the home of the ELI Secretariat and to host these important legal discussions'

> Dr Alma Zadić, LLM Austrian Minister of Justice

The United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) takes great interest in the valuable work of ELI. This is not just because of the high regard that we have for its processes and products, or the respect that we share for diverse legal traditions, but principally because many of ELI's current projects speak to UNCITRAL's mandate to 'promot[e] the progressive harmonization and unification of the law of international trade.'

> Anna Joubin-Bret UNCITRAL Secretary

ELI is an invaluable organisation that the European Parliament can rely on to attend to justice related issues now, and in the future.

[ELI's] achievements have paved the way for many more young professionals to help create a righteous, green and prosperous European future.

Roberta Metsola President of the European Parliament

# Membership and Governance

ELI has over 1,600 Individual Members and over 140 Institutional Members, reflecting the full diversity of legal communities in Europe and beyond.

Amongst the hallmarks of ELI's work is the active participation of its Membership, as well as external experts, in shaping project outcomes. Together, ELI Members form a unique legal community from over 60 countries in Europe and beyond. Institutional Members largely fall into the following categories:

- EU institutions (including the European Parliament, the Court of Justice of the European Union and the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA))
- International organisations (such as UNCITRAL, the Organization for Security and Co-Operation in Europe (OSCE) and UNIDROIT)
- Over 20 Supreme Courts (including the Austrian, Czech, French, UK Supreme Courts) and other courts of the highest instance
- Professional associations (such as the Council of Bars and Law Societies of Europe (CCBE), the Council of the Notariats of the European Union (CNUE) and the European Network of Councils for the Judiciary (ENCJ) and the Network of the Presidents of the Supreme Judicial Courts of the European Union)
- Law firms (among them, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP, Schönherr Rechtsanwälte and Uría Menéndez)
- Academic bodies (such as the Academy of European Law (ERA), the European Law Students' Association (ELSA) and numerous law faculties)
- Others

### Fellows

Reputable individuals or legal entities that actively engage, through their professional, vocational or scholarly activities, in European legal development. Fellows make crucial decisions about the direction of ELI, such as by voting on the results of ELI projects and on the election of members of ELI's Council, the Institute's main governing body. Each Individual or Institutional Fellow has one vote

### Observers

Reputable individuals or legal entities actively involved in European legal development, but cannot undertake to act without regard to the interests of particular stakeholders. As such, no voting rights are conferred on them

### **Sustaining Members**

Individual Fellows or Observers that support ELI through additional Membership fees, affording it a dependable safety net and enabling it to embark on new initiatives that further its causes

## Membership Benefits At-A-Glance

ELI's Membership Committee is tasked with oversight of the composiiton of the Institute's Members, striving to balance it across jurisdictions and vocations. It also works at the enhancement of Membership benefits.

|  | Institutional<br>Members | Sustaining<br>Members | Individual<br>Members |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Free Entry to ELI<br>Annual Conference   | ~                        | ~                     | ~                     |
| Access to ELI<br>approved project<br>output  | ~                        | ~                     | ~                     |
| 30% discount on the<br>UK recommended<br>retail price of ELI's<br>publications with<br>Oxford University Press | ~                        | ~                     | ~                     |
| 20% discount on<br>Oxford University<br>Press publications*  | ~                        | ~                     | ~                     |
| 25% discount on<br>conferences hosted<br>by the Academy of<br>European Law in Trier                            |                          | ~                     | ~                     |
| Hub and SIG<br>Membership  | ~                        | ~                     | ~                     |
| Short Biography on<br>the ELI website  | ~                        | ~                     |                       |
| Networking<br>Breakfast/Dinner   | ~                        | ~                     |                       |
| Subscription to our<br>Newsletter  | ~                        | ~                     | ~                     |

### Governance

### Membership

The Membership consists of all the Institute's Fellows and Observers. The main functions of the Membership are to elect Members of the Council and to approve the results of ELI projects. ELI's Annual Conference is the primary forum at which the Membership discuss the Institute's projects and subject them to thorough review.

### Council

The Council consists of up to 56 Members, elected by the Membership from among the individual Fellows in a way that adequately takes into account the general principles of the Association. In addition to elected Council Members, the President, the two Vice-Presidents and the Treasurer become ex-officio Members of the Council from the moment they take office. Further, up to 10 Members can be offered ex-officio seats on the Council. As the Institute's governing body, its tasks extend to the election of the Executive Committee, the approval of the accounts and the budget and the appointment of ELI's auditor. The Council, which meets up to four times a year, is also the responsible governance organ for the adoption and implementation of projects.

### **Executive Committee**

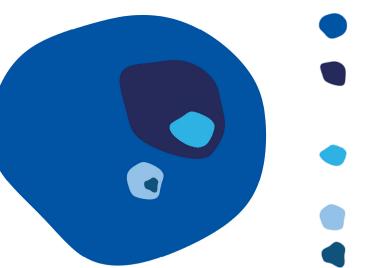
The Executive Committee is ELI's administrative body, consisting of the President, two Vice-Presidents, Treasurer and three innominate Members. The Executive represents ELI and is charged with the general administration of the Institute as well as the implementation of decisions made by competent bodies of the Institute. The Executive meets several times a year.

### **Senate and Arbitral Tribunal**

The Senate is a body of persons, each of whom has an outstanding reputation, ready to give advice. It consists of up to 21 ELI Fellows. Three Members of the Senate form ELI's Arbitral Tribunal, which settles any disputes that may arise. They are appointed by the Senate for a three-year term. The Senate meets at least once a year.

### Secretariat

The Secretariat supports the competent bodies of the Institute and its Project Teams. Its responsibilities include fundraising, oversight of the Institute's finances, compliance monitoring, planning and organising key ELI events, the admission and care of ELI Members, dissemination and public relations. The Secretariat is headed by the Secretary General.



#### Membership Composed of all the Institute's Fellows and Observers

### Council

Consists of up to 56 elected delegates and up to 10 exofficio Members in addition to the President, Vice-Presidents and Treasurer

### **Executive Committee**

President, two Vice-Presidents, Treasurer and three ordinary Members

### Senate

Consists of up to 21 ELI Fellows

#### **Arbitral Tribunal**

Three Members of the Senate appointed by the Senate

Your institution has contributed so much to fostering a genuine and vigorous European legal community. ... I would like to thank you for all of your work of the highest professional standards and for always taking a Pan-European perspective.

Věra Jourová Vice-President of the European Commission for Values and Transparency

This is the first joint project between ELI and the ALI. The ALI has been looking for a suitable project to embark on with ELI and this was really ideal as it is a developing area of the law. People in both Europe and the United States have a very strong interest in figuring out how to address data transactions and the data economy, as existing areas of law may not fit well into the transactions involving data.

#### Neil B Cohen

Reporter for the ALI-ELI Principles for a Data Economy Project

The publication of this report is a timely reminder that freedom of speech and expression is a cornerstone throughout Europe of democracy and the fundamental freedoms which we all enjoy. The struggle for that freedom has been long, but the constitutional tradition that has developed across Europe has given us a common bond and value. When it has been denied, that denial has enabled dictatorships to wage aggressive wars and subject those they conquer to tyranny. The enjoyment of that tradition in Ukraine must not be supplanted as a result of the Russian invasion.

#### **Lord John Thomas**

Former Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales and Assessor of the Common Constitutional Traditions Project

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# **Projects and Similar Initiatives**

ELI's projects aim to produce results of immediate practical utility. Its project portfolio currently span three umbrella topics: Rule of Law and the Convergence of Legal Systems in the 21st Century, Law and Governance for the Digital Age and Sustainable Life and Society. Ideas for projects are put forward by Members and other stakeholders.

### Projects carried out under the auspices of ELI should:

- Serve society by improving the law or facilitating its application
- Be principally capable of producing results which can be of immediate practical utility to legislative bodies, judiciaries or other interested parties
- Have a genuinely pan-European perspective which takes due account of Europe's various legal traditions



The selection, management and approval of ELI projects are regulated by ELI's Project Guidelines. The above pictogram depicts the various stages of a project's life-cycle and the comprehensive consultation processes. The ELI Executive Committee, supported by ELI's Scientific Director, is responsible for identifying ELI projects and for submitting them as project proposals to the Council. The Executive consults experts in the field and relevant stakeholders throughout th

# **Project Implementation**

ELI's projects have fallen into four broad categories, namely draft legislative proposals; model laws, model rules or statement of principles; checklists, other practical guidance; and position papers.

Three key constituents work to deliver on ELI projects: Reporters, Advisory Committee members, and Members Consultative Committee (MCC) participants, none of whom are remunerated. Rather, the main draw in taking part in an ELI project is the critical input received from an extremely broad and diverse constituency and in the enhanced impact and visibility that come with work that is conducted as an ELI project.

Each key group plays a unique and critical role throughout a project's lifecycle. Reporters are project leaders that structure the project, prepare drafts, and present them to the Advisory Committee and MCC as well as to ELI bodies, namely the Executive, Council and Membership, for discussion and further input.

ELI enlists a carefully selected and diverse group of Advisers – subject matter experts – for each project, whose task is to review project outputs and provide to Reporters.

Whereases Reporters and Advisors need not be ELI Members, the MCC is made up of ELI members who are not necessarily experts in the project's area of law. They therefore bring a vital complementary perspective in scrutinising project outputs from a generalist point of view. Teams also work in close liaison with ELI's Scientific Director and Secretariat, who offers guidance.

Because of the deliberative nature of our work, it usually takes at least two years to complete a project. However, where rapid reaction calls for it, the process can be accelerated by approval of reports by ELI's Council alone. Regular projects must be approved by the Institute's Membership in addition.

ELI outputs are freely downloadable online and, depending on their nature, may be available to order with background materials from ELI's publisher, Oxford University Press.

In addition to projects, ELI embarks on a broad range of other initiatives, such as innovation Papers and responses to consultations issued by the European Commisison

### **High Level Expert Groups**

The Executive Committee consults broadly on the identification of projects. In addition to submitted suggestions from Members and stakeholders, the Exeucitve may convene a HLEG to advise it on topics requiring the urgent attention of the European legal community or to support its efforts to scope already identified project ideas.

### **High Level Fora**

Disseminating ELI's outputs through its broad network has proven impactful as have the above Fora that are held on the completion of projects. HLF bring together highranking EU representatives, Ministers of Justice from across Europe and key stakeholders together to engage in discorse on the implementation of ELI's recommendation

### Impact

ELI's works are used in a variety of ways by the judiciary, legal practitioners, legislators at EU and national level as well as other lawmakers, academics, government administrators and private entities. Through its update, ELI's work has impacted millions in Europe and beyond.



# Annual Conference

ELI's Annual Conference and Meetings is the principal means through which the fifth aim set out in Article 3 of its Statute, namely to provide a forum, for discussion and cooperation, of jurists from the bar, bench, and academy that take an active interest in European legal development and together represent a broad range of legal traditions, has been achieved. The ELI Annual Conference takes place in autumn every year. In addition to featuring a series of panels on ELI projects, welcome addresses and a keynote speeches are delivered by distinguished personalities.

### **Annual Conference Venues**

- 2023 Vienna, Austria
- 2022 Madrid, Spain
- 2021 Online
- 2020 Online
- 2019 Vienna, Austria
- 2018 Riga, Latvia
- 2017 Vienna, Austria
- 2016 Ferrara, Italy
- 2015 Vienna, Austria
- 2014 Zagreb, Croatia
- 2013 Vienna, Austria
- 2012 Brussels, Belgium
- 2011 Vienna, Austria

### **Keynote speakers**



2021 Marija Pejcinovic Buric Secretary General of the Council of Europe



2020 Didier Reynders EU Commissioner for Justice



2019 Anna Joubin-Bret Secretary of UNCITRAL



2017 Michael O'Flaherty Director of the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights



2016 Koen Lenaerts President of the CJEU



2023, 2015 Věra Jourová European Commission Vice-President for Values and Transparency

By their endeavours, both the ELI and EMA are intimately connected to the European integration project, and both take a genuinely pan-European perspective.

**Emer Cooke** Executive Director of the European Medicines Agency (EMA)

I am looking forward to DG JUST tightening its cooperation with ELI on ... future-oriented projects. By working closely together, the Commission will benefit from ELI's exper-tise and ELI's research work will likely have real impact on the EU's legislative work.

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Ana Gallego Director-General for Justice and Consumers at the European Commission

> I commend ELI for its achievements in improving the quality of law in Europe and look forward to its on-going contributions to our mutual aims.

Páll Hreinsson President of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) Court

# ELI's Satellite Groups

Hubs and SIGs are a practical means through which ELI Members can meet closer to home, communicate in their native language, discuss current or upcoming projects, and generate ideas for future ELI activities. As such, Hubs and SIGs are of fundamental importance to ELI's success.

Hubs and SIGs are country- and topic-specific groups respectively. In consultation with its Executive Committee, ELI relies on SIGs to prepare responses to any EU or other relevant consultation or legislative proposal; provide an effective means to review any legal instruments within their area of expertise; and, most importantly, provide an active forum for debate by ELI Members in the field.

Hub and SIG membership is limited to ELI Members. However, their activities may be open to the public.

At present, ELI has 16 Hubs and 11 SIGs and constantly adds to these numbers in line with demand.



### **Current ELI Hubs**

- Austrian Hub
- Belgio-Luxembourg Hub
- Croatian Hub
- French Hub
- German Hub
- Hungarian Hub
- Irish Hub
- Italian Hub
- Nordic Hub
- Polish Hub
- Portuguese Hub
- Slovenian Hub
- Spanish Hub
- Turkish Hub
- Ukrainian Hub
- United Kingdom Hub

### **Current ELI SIGs**

- Administrative Law SIG
- Business and Financial Law SIG
- Competition Law SIG
- Digital Law SIG
- Dispute Resolution SIG
- Family and Succession Law SIG
- Family and Succession Law SIG
- Fundamental Rights Law SIG
- Global Private Law SIG
- Insurance Law SIG
- Intellectual Property Law SIG
- Sustainability and Enviornmental Law SIG

As ELI begins its second decade and ALI moves into our second century, we look forward to extending and deepening our collaboration and working together toward our common goals of providing practical guidance and bringing clarity to the law.

David L Levi and Diane Wood President and Director of the American Law Institute

> ELI and the European Commission have been partners for years. Our fruitful partnership materialised in many valuable projects which I firmly believe provide great assistance to legal practitioners throughout Europe. ELI's projects constitute an essential source of information for the Commission's forward-looking initiatives and have always been a source of inspiration and a point of reference for the Commission

#### **Richard Sonnenschein**

Director of Justice Policies in the European Commission's Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers (DG JUST)

## Giving a Voice to Young Lawyers

ELI's Young Lawyers Award aims at providing the young legal community in Europe with a mechanism to propose practical suggestions for the improvement of European law, as a way of giving voice to future European legal experts and to helping ELI in fulfilling its core mission of improving the quality of European law.

Applicants must be students currently undertaking a university law degree, whether undergraduate or postgraduate, or be within five years of being awarded a law degree at the date by which entries must be submitted.

Candidates must submit a unique and original paper which was not previously published and deals with a European legal issue that could be improved. The contribution may be submitted in English. Papers for ELI's Young Lawyers Award have to be submitted by 30 April each year.

The Jury of the ELI Young Lawyers Award is drawn from ELI and other participating institutions. It is selected by the ELI Executive Committee every two years.

Interleges has been the proud sponsor of the Award since 2018.

### Entry Criteria

- Candidate currently undertaking a law degree or within five years of being awarded a law degree at the date by which entries must be submitted.
- A unique and original paper on a European legal issue.

#### **Prizes**

- Extract of paper published in ELI Newsletter and website
- Best efforts to publish paper in UNIDROIT's Uniform Law Review, an Oxford University Press Journal
- Presentation of the paper at the ELI Annual Conference (expenses covered)
- EUR 750 cash
- 5-year ELI membership
- Up to 3 months paid internship at a law firm affiliated with Interleges



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The foundation of the ELI was an arduous process. A conference in Florence and the Hamburg Memorandum were important way stations. Ultimately, in April 2010, a statute and a Founding Manifesto were adopted at a meeting in Athens. In June 2011, the Inaugural Congress took place in Paris. The statutory seat of the ELI is Brussels, the seat of its Secretariat is Vienna; and the first President of ELI was English. All of this reflects the truly European spirit of ELI. Today, it can safely be said that ELI has established itself on the international legal landscape as an important hub of ideas and initiatives.

Reinhard Zimmermann Speaker of the ELI Senate; Director of the Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law

> We are proud that the University of Vienna will continue to host the ELI Secretariat. ... The University of Vienna and, in particular, the Faculty of Law aim at further intensifying their contribution to the existing cooperation which will enable them to use the opportunities of a Europe-wide network. The intensive involvement of students and earlystage researchers in ELI projects and activities is an objective declared by the University of Vienna. Our academics are keen to contribute their expertise to ELI and to participate in the realisation of existing and new projects.

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**Heinz Engl** Former Rector of the University of Vienna

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In 2012, the ELI published its first Statement: Case-Overload at the European Court of Human Rights and the ELI Statement on the Proposal for a Regulation on a Common European Sales Law.

In 2015, the agreement between ELI and the University of Vienna was extended until 2019. A second Supplement on the Statement on Sales was issued

In 2017, ELI published the Draft Legislative Proposal for the Prevention and the Resolution of Conflicts of Jurisdiction in Criminal Matters in the European Union, the ELI Statement on Detention of Asylum Seekers and Irregular Migrants and the Rule of Law and the ELI Instrument on Rescue of Business in Insolvency Law.

In 2019, the ELI Instrument on Empowering European Families: Towards More Party Autonomy in European Family and Succession Law was published.

> In 2020, ELI published its Model Rules on Online Platforms, the ELI Report on Protection of Adults in International Situations and the ELI Principles for the COVID-19 Crisis.

In 2021, ELI celebrated its 10th anniversary. Its Report on For a European Approach to R&D Tax Incentive(s) and the ALI-ELI Principles for a Data Economy, the ELI-UNIDROIT Model European Rules of Civil Procedure, the ELI Innovation Paper on Guiding Principles for Updating the EU Product Liability Directive for the Digital Age, a Supplement to the ELI Principles for the COVID-19 Crisis and Response to the Public Consultation on the Data Act were published.

In 2023, ELI published its Feedback on the European Commission's Proposal for a Revised Product Liability Directive, Guidance on Company Capital and Financial Accounting for Corporate Sustainability and Principles on Blockchain Technology, Smart Contracts, Consumer Protection, Report on Ecocide, Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and the Council on Mutual Admissibility of Evidence and Electronic Evidence in Criminal Proceedings, its Guiding Principles on Implementing Workers' Right to Disconnect and its Interim Report on EU Consumer Law and Automated Decision– Making (ADM).

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In May 2011, the University of Vienna won the tender to host the ELI Secretariat. In July, the Inaugural Congress of ELI took place in Paris. In November, then Commissioner of Justice Viviane Reding opened the ELI Secretariat.

n 2014, ELI published a Statement on Collective Redress and Competition Damages Claim, a supplement to its Statement on the Proposal for a Regulation on a Common European Sales Law and a Response to the European Commission's Public Consultation on the Review of the EU Copyright Rules.

In 2016, ELI published a Statement on the European Commission's proposed Directive on the Supply of Digital Content to Consumers

In 2018, the agreement between ELI and the University of Vienna was extended until 2023. ELI also published the ELI Statement on the Principled Relationship of Formal and Informal Justice through the Courts and Alternative Dispute Resolution.

In 2022, ELI five outputs were published, namely, the ELI Report on Business and Human Rights, the ELI Model Rules on Impact Assessment of Algorithmic Decision-Making Systems Used by Public Administration, the ELI Principles on the Use of Digital Assets as Security, the ELI Report on Freedom of Expression as a Common Constitutional Tradition in Europe, and the ELI Draft of a Revised Product Liability Directive. Additionally, the following Responses to the Public Consultations were published: on Civil Liability, the Cross-Border Protection of Vulnerable Adults, on the Sustainable Consumption of Goods. Feedback on the Commission's Proposal for a Revised Product Liability Directive was also issued. In addition, ELI published a Council Resolution on Ukraine and the Innovation Paper on Automated Decision-Making in the EU. In 2022, the agreement between ELI and the University of Vienna was again extended (for the 2023-2027 period), with an increase in financial support.

## European Law Institute

- Pan-European, democratic, membership based organisation
- Uniting prominent jurists of all legal professions
- Aiming to improve the law in Europe
- Carrying out projects with immediate practical application

Members of ELI can contribute to its projects and gain access to an international network of jurists. Apart from various other activities, ELI hosts its Annual Conference, a three-day event that includes meetings of its various bodies, panels on various fields of law and several social events, bringing together some of the leading legal experts in law from Europe and beyond.

## Executive Committee

President:Pascal PichonnazFirst Vice-President:Anne Birgitte GammeljordSecond Vice-President:Sir Geoffrey VosTreasurer:Pietro SirenaOther Members:Sylvaine Poillot-Peruzzetto<br/>Teresa Rodríguez de las Heras Ballell

## ELI in Vienna

The Secretariat of ELI, which is hosted by the University of Vienna, is located in the heart of Austrian capital, close to the main building of the University, the representation of the European Commission in Austria as well as the information office of the European Parliament.

Aneta Wiewiórowska-Domagalska

We cordially invite you to visit us whenever you are in Vienna.



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