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Event | 05.12.2013

Economic Crimes and a European Public Prosecutor

How to fight economic crimes and ensure fundamental rights?

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Corruption, money laundering, fraud – such crimes threaten economic and social justice in the European Union. There are several initiatives to tackle these problems. One is the proposal of the European Commission on the European Public Prosecutor made in June 2013.

We seek to involve speakers and panellists with practical knowledge and experience who can not only share their expertise, but also act as catalysts in promoting awareness and discussion. The issue will be discussed from various approaches, including a criminal law perspective, a social justice perspective as well as a data protection perspective. The conference is a follow-up to the Group's conference on EU criminal justice on 6 December 2012.

Members of the European Parliament Jan Philipp Albrecht, Judith Sargentini, Rui Tavares, Eva Joly and Bart Staes will discuss with the following guests:

- Naomi Fowler, award winning global radio journalist & podcaster, TAXCAST producer for the Tax Justice Network
- Manuel Rubio-Gullon (Councillor on Criminal law at the French Permanent Representation to the EU)
- Prof. Dr. Hans-Holger Herrnfeld, Special Advisor in the DG Criminal Law on the EPPO, German

• Peter Hustinx, European Data Protection Supervisor
• Prof. Dr. Holger Matt, Chair of European Criminal Bar Association (ECBA)
• Libby McVeigh, Head of Law Reform, Fair Trials International, London
• Robert Palmer, Campaign leader, banks and corruption at Global Witness
• Prof. Dr. Brigitte Unger, Public Sector Economics at Utrecht School of Economics, Utrecht University
• Dr. Marianne Wade, Senior Lecturer Director of the Institute of Judicial Administration, University of Birmingham
Program
9.30 am
Keynote: Crime and the Economic Crisis, Naomi Fowler
Respondent: Rui Tavares MEP
Discussion
10.15 am

Federal Ministry of Justice, former German National Member of Eurojust

Money laundering as a threat to economic and social justice
Peter Hustinx
Brigitte Unger
Robert Palmer
Host: Judith Sargentini MEP
Questions & Answers
11.00 am
The European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO) and the fight against fraud
Dr Marianne Wade
Dr Hans-Holger Herrnfeld
Manuel Rubio-Gullon
Hosts: Eva Joly MEP and Bart Staes MEP
Questions & Answers

The European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO) and procedural rights in the EU
Professor Holger Matt
Libby McVeigh
Host: Jan Philipp Albrecht MEP
Questions & Answers
12.30 pm
Concluding remarks
Jan Philipp Albrecht MEP
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