



## **The Court of Justice of the European Union makes procedural and doctrinal documents freely accessible on its website**

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The Judicial Network of the European Union (JNEU) was created at the initiative of the President of the Court of Justice and the presidents of the constitutional and supreme courts of the Member States on the occasion of the Judges' Forum organised by the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU) on 27 March 2017 in order to celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the Rome Treaties.<sup>1</sup>

The ensuing discussions, inspired by a common interest in enhancing judicial cooperation in Europe to ensure justice of a high quality, have led, from January 2018, to the creation of a secure platform for exchange between the courts participating in the JNEU, which will have been the first practical manifestation of that cooperation.

In the light of the great interest presented by the information made available on that platform in respect of the development and consistency of EU law, the Court of Justice of the European Union and the participating courts have decided to share all non-confidential documents with the general public by opening a space dedicated to the JNEU on the Curia website.

The primary objective of that space is to share and to centralise information and documents that are useful for the application, dissemination and study of EU law, as interpreted and applied not only by the Court of Justice, but also by national courts. It also aims to promote mutual awareness and understanding of the laws and systems of the Member States, from a comparative law perspective that makes it easier to take into account the judicial traditions of each Member State.

To that end, the JNEU space makes it possible:

- to access **preliminary ruling cases** directly (thanks to a predefined configuration of search criteria in the search engine) and, in particular, to consult **orders for reference** made after 1 July 2018, in the language of the case and also in all available languages;
- to consult [decisions delivered by national courts](#) that have been selected by the constitutional and supreme courts of the Member States on account of the interest they present for EU law;
- to consult various scientific and educational documents stemming from research or monitoring works carried out by the courts participating in the JNEU, whether they be [notes or studies](#), [factsheets on EU case-law](#) or [legal monitoring](#) tools.

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<sup>1</sup> See Press Release No [33/17](#)