

# Training of Lawyers on European Law relating to Asylum and Immigration

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Asylum seeker woman is talking to her lawyer through  
the bars of the Detention Center in Medvedov, Slovakia



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# SEMINAR PROGRAMME

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Consejo General Abogacía Española, Paseo de Recoletos 13, 28004 Madrid

**Monday, 10 October 2016**

### Moderator:

María Eugenia Gay, Member of the International Relations Committee of the Consejo General de la Abogacía Española

**08:30 – 09:00 Registration of participants**

**09:00 – 09:15 Welcome address**

Victoria Ortega, President of the Consejo General de la Abogacía Española  
Oriol Rusca, Vice-President of the Consejo General de la Abogacía Española

**09:15 – 09:30 Introduction to the seminar**

Alonso Hernández-Pinzón, Managing Director, European Lawyers Foundation

**09:30 – 10:15 Opening speech**

The European Union's response to the recent "refugee crisis": the legal instruments in practice

Aggeliki Nikolopoulou, Member of the Greek League for Human Rights

**10:15 – 11:00 Keynote speech**

An overview of the rights of immigrants and asylum seekers in Europe  
Noemí Alarcón Velasco, Vice-Chair of the CCBE Migration Committee

**11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break**

**11:30 – 12:30 Panel discussion**

Legal framework applicable to asylum and immigration in Spain, Italy, Greece and Ireland: practical implementation of European regulations, national provisions and best practices

Noemí Alarcón Velasco (Spain), Alessio Sangiorgi (Italy), Aggeliki Nikolopoulou (Greece) and Angel Bello-Cortes (Ireland)

**12:30 – 13:00 Q&A session**

**13:00 – 14:00 Lunch**

**14:00 – 15:30 Workshop I**

The European Union legal system regulating asylum and immigration: instruments and case law

Angel Bello-Cortes, Irish Solicitor, Spanish qualified lawyer & former Board member of the Irish Refugee Council

**15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break**

**16:00 – 17:30 Workshop I**

The Council of Europe legal system regulating asylum and immigration: instruments and case law

Alessio Sangiorgi

**Workshop II**

The Council of Europe legal system regulating asylum and immigration: instruments and case law

Alessio Sangiorgi, Italian Lawyer, Member of the Association of Lawyers "Unione forense per la tutela dei diritti umani"

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**Tuesday, 11 October 2016**

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**09:00 – 09:30 Plenary Session**

Presentation of the outcome of workshops

Alessio Sangiorgi and Angel Bello-Cortes

**09:30 – 10:30 Keynote speech**

Future challenges in immigration and asylum policies: Admission of immigrants or a "Fortress Europe"?

Aggeliki Nikolopoulou

**10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break**

**11:00 – 12:00 Closing speech**

Lawyers on the ground: procedural safeguards and legal assistance to immigrants and asylum seekers in European countries (asylum procedures, detention, expulsions, removals and pushbacks)

Marta García Cienfuegos, Head of Legal Department, UNHCR Spain

**12:00 – 13:00 Final discussion**

Exchange of ideas for further initiatives and cooperation between partners in issues relating to asylum and immigration

Marta García Cienfuegos, Alessio Sangiorgi, Aggeliki Nikolopoulou and Angel Bello-Cortes