

CEPEJ CRYSTAL SCALES OF JUSTICE PRIZE 2025

AWARD CEREMONY

Thursday, October 9th 2025

Presidential Palace

Nicosia, Cyprus

10:30 -11:00	Arrivals <i>(Please allow sufficient time for identification and security checks at the premises)</i>
11:00 – 11:15	Welcome Speeches <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mrs. Rea Limnatitou, Director, Cyprus Judicial Training School Mrs. Andria Neocleous, Executive Director, 'Hope For Children' CRC Policy Center Mr. Francesco Depasquale, President of the Council of Europe European Commission for the Efficiency of Justice (CEPEJ)
11:15 – 11:25	"Kids in Court" Tool – Winner of the 2023 Crystal Scales of Justice Prize <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short video Presentation by Dr Marilena Kyriakidou, Senior Lecturer in Forensic Psychology, Sheffield Hallam University and Dr Alexia Zalaf, Associate Professor in Forensic Psychology, University of Nicosia
11:25 – 12:25	Panel Discussion <i>"Vulnerable Witnesses and Child Friendly Justice in Cyprus"</i> Moderator: Mr. George Erotocritou, Former Justice of the Supreme Court and Former Director of the Cyprus Judicial Training School <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brief introduction on the work of the Council of Europe on Child Friendly Justice, Mrs. Muriel Decot, Executive Secretary of the CEPEJ (5 min) Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mrs. Ioanna Drousiotou, Co-ordinator, Clinical Psychologist, Children's House - Hope For Children (10 min) Mrs. Michaela Pasiardis, Senior Counsel of the Republic, Law Office of the Republic of Cyprus (10 min) Mrs. Alexia Kountouri, Chairperson of the Human Rights Committee, Cyprus Bar Association, Lawyer (10 min) Mrs. Elena Efrem, Justice, Supreme Court of Cyprus (10 min)

12:25 – 12:35	BREAK
12:35 – 12:45	Opening of Crystal Scales Prize 2025 Award Ceremony Mr. Francesco Depasquale, President of the CEPEJ
12:45 – 13:30	<p>Presentations of the three selected initiatives for the Crystal Scales of Justice Prize 2025 Edition by the respective teams</p> <p>Moderator: Mrs. Muriel Decot, Executive Secretary of CEPEJ</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Team 1: Support Center for conservatorship, Belgium (15 min) Team 2: Schuldenfunctionaris/Debt office, The Netherlands (15 min) Team 3: Hyper-automation of Order for Payment Procedures in Justice, Spain (15 min)
13:30 – 13:45	<p>Presentation by members of the jury on the selection criteria and feedback on the awarded initiatives</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. François Paychère, President of the Crystal Scales Jury</p> <p><i>Other Jury members:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Simon Cardon de Lichtbuer Ms. Svjetlana Milisic Velickovski Ms. Phani Hadjiphani
13:45 – 14:00	<p>Announcement of the Results and Closing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. François Paychère, President of the Crystal Scales Jury Mr. Francesco Depasquale, President of the CEPEJ
14.00	Cocktail Reception

**Simultaneous interpretation from Greek to English and vice versa will be provided throughout the event.*

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