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Final Conference DEUCE Project

Digitalising EU Cross-Border Enforcement for Consumers: Pathways to Effective Justice in the Digital Single Market

DEUCE — Digitalising European Uncontested Claims Enforcement

The event is free but registration is needed.
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19th -20th February 2026

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19th February 2026 14:00–17:30

14:00 – 14:30 OPENING AND WELCOME
Prof. Marco Giacalone *(VUB)* – Project Coordinator, DEUCE
Dr. Isabelle Perignon, Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers

PANEL 1 - ALGORITHMIC ENFORCEMENT, TRUST, AND CONSUMER REMEDIES
14:30-16:00
Chair: Evelyne Terryn (KU Leuven)

From rights to reality: bridging the digital enforcement gap
Marco Scialdone (Euroconsumers)

Liability and consumer protection in the age of autonomous AI
Pablo Martinez Ramil, Thomas Hoffmann and Angela Chiara Nardi (Taltech University)

Digital Inclusion and Access to Remedies
Sylvian Dorol (European Bailiffs' Foundation, EUBF)

Delegated Trust in Algorithmic Enforcement: Regulatory Intermediaries,
Digital Fairness, and Consumer Redress in the EU
Michael Sierra (Hebrew University Jerusalem)

16:00 – 16:30 Coffee break

PANEL 2 - DIGITALISING CIVIL ENFORCEMENT: THE DEUCE PROJECT
16:30-17:30
Chair: Marco Giacalone (VUB)

Digitalising Civil Enforcement: Infrastructure, Cooperation, and Access to Justice in the EU
Tatjana Josipovic and Ivana Kanceljak (Zagreb University)

Digitalisation as a New Dimension of Justice in the European Union
Marianna Molinari and Marco Giacalone (VUB)

Cross-Border Cooperation in the Era of Data Sovereignty
Lana Katarina Gotvan, Ambrož Korljan, Katarina Zajc (University of Ljubljana)

Access to Justice as Consumers' Understanding:
Epistemic Mediation in AI-Assisted Legal Interfaces
Andrea Filippo Ferraris, Susanna Picariello and Marco Giacalone (VUB)

17:30 – 17:45 Q&A and CLOSING REMARKS

20th February 2026 09:00 – 12:30

PANEL 3 - EU CROSS-BORDER ENFORCEMENT INSTRUMENTS IN THE DIGITAL AGE
09:00–10:30
Chair: Alberto De Franceschi (Ferrara University)

Automated enforcement of consumer rights: Making consumer law really count
André Janssen (Radboud University)

From procedure to empowerment: do the European Order for Payment and the European Enforcement Order procedures efficiently serve creditors in the algorithmic age?
Rimantas Simaitis, Milda Markevičiūtė, Vigita Vėbraitė (Vilnius University)

Bringing Brussels I bis Closer to the European Enforcement Order
Nicolas Kyriakides, Eva Manolova and Nicoletta Zacharopoulos *(University of Nicosia)*

E-justice tools and crypto-enabled organised crime: Digital enforcement, cross-border cooperation, and procedural fairness in the European Union
Gioia Arnone (Palermo University and VUB)

Crypto-assets and public enforcement in the EU and USA
Emilia Richiello (VUB)

10:30 – 11:00   Coffee break

PANEL 4 - DIGITAL ENFORCEMENT IN PRACTICE: NATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL PERSPECTIVES
11:00–12:15
Chair: Jachin Van Doninck (VUB)

European Uncontested Claims Enforcement in Hungary
Noémi Suri (Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Budapest)

The issuance of a European Order for Payment under Regulation (EC) No 1896/2006 and the procedures for lodging an opposition under Italian law
Giuseppe Fiengo (Civil Judge, Tribunale di Napoli)

A New Framework for Digital Civil Proceedings in Germany: Payment Claims before Local Courts
Magdalena Jankowska-Gilberg (Zentrum für Europäischen Verbraucherschutz)

Civil Procedure as Infrastructure: Estonia's Digital Civil Procedure Workflow and the Enforceability of Uncontested Claims
Thomas Hoffmann, Pablo Martinez Ramil and Karine Veersalu (Taltech University)

12:15 – 12:30   CLOSING REMARKS