

Dear ENCJ Members and Observers,

The next ENCJ Lunch seminar will be organised on **Monday 15 April at 13:00hrs CET** and will be dedicated to a discussion on the situation of the Judiciary in Poland.

Since the expulsion of the Polish National Judicial Council (Krajowa Rada Sadownictwa) in October 2021, the ENCJ has not been in contact with the KRS, but continues to monitor developments with regard to respect for the Rule of Law and judicial independence. Following October's elections, it appears that measures are being taken to improve the rule of law situation. The ENCJ therefore considered it opportune to organise the next lunch seminar on the situation of the judiciary in Poland.

For this occasion, the ENCJ Office has invited two distinguished speakers, **Ms. Monika Frackowiak** (Polish Judge, Vice-President of Medel, Member of Iustitia Polish Judges Association) and **Mr. Jakub Jaraczewski**, (Research Coordinator (rule of law) at Democracy Reporting International, a Berlin-based NGO working on supporting democracy, human rights and the rule of law).

Mr. Jaraczewski has agreed to report on the draft laws of the National Judicial Council as well as the presented reform plan regarding the Constitutional Tribunal, while Ms. Frackowiak will comment on whether any changes have occurred from the perspective of a judge.

We invite you to share this invitation with other members of the Council for the Judiciary.

Please [register](#) by **Friday 12 April at noon**.

The platform used for the meeting will be Zoom.

We hope to see you all on the 15th of April.

Kind regards
ENCJ Office team

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