Future for the ICT committee of the CCBE?

Open Discussion
Purpose of ICT committee

• Support response from the CCBE to proposals emanating from the European Institutions in the field of information technology that might impact upon lawyers
• Respond to developments taking place on an international level that might impact upon lawyers

The means of responding externally

• In the form of CCBE position papers
• In the form of participation in fora for discussion of significant issues
The means of responding internally

- Explain to CCBE members how certain proposals might or do impact on the legal profession
- Create discussion and see issues affecting the legal profession in the light of our key professional standards
- Suggest issues of interest to bars and law societies in the area of information technology
- Members of the committee should represent the CCBE at meetings organized by the European institutions on the subject of information technology

What we have done 2005

- E-guidelines for lawyers
- Input to CCBE’s position paper on Data retention to protect client/lawyer privilege
- Conference in Madrid
E-guidelines for lawyers

I. Content of e-mail and Internet sites
   – Data
   – Nature of the on-line legal service
   – Links and references to third parties

II. Lawyer correspondence
   – Deliberate interception and hacking
   – Inadvertent access
   – Viruses and malicious software
   – Electronic mail correspondence between lawyers

III. Safeguarding personal data: data protection legislation

IV. Safeguarding copyright

V. Best practice

VI. Archiving of electronic documents and e-mails

What should the ICT committee do to enable the Lawyers to stay in control of their important role in the judicial system?