

e-CODEX for the legal community

“European citizens and businesses advocate better justice systems across Europe, which are capable of delivering better results in a more efficient way. The Commission believes that eJustice can provide effective tools to make justice easier to access, speedier and less costly. (...)”. Judges, prosecutors and legal practitioners are also more and more vocal in demanding more effective judicial co-operation within the EU”.

Former Vice President Jacques Barot, Former Commissioner responsible for Justice Freedom and Security (IP/08/821 Towards a European strategy on eJustice, Brussels, 30 May 2008)



An increasing number of European countries use information and communication technologies in the field of justice, according to the e-Justice Action Plan of the Council and the communication published by the Commission „Towards a European eJustice Strategy”.

Developing e-Justice services should not represent a singular moment of the e-Justice Action Plan but even so it is assumed that the e-CODEX project will initiate a process that unfolds over years, based on its particular objective.

The Legal Community is formed mainly by lawyers, notaries, bailiffs, courts and EUROJUST. In accordance with its status, the Legal Community has the legitimacy to disseminate information in the field of justice and to facilitate direct e-services to European citizens.

From this perspective, a better communication between the judicial authorities across Member States will encourage a collaborative approach when piloting the e-CODEX project.