



**Seminar on an EU-Mechanism to Monitor Rule of Law and Justice in Member States
Peace Palace, The Hague, The Netherlands, June 28, 2012**

Chatham House Rule

- 9.00-09.30 **Registration** *at main entrance*
- Welcome coffee** *in "Refectorium" on Souterrain*
- 9.30-09.35 **Opening comments** *in "Historische Leeszaal" on Ground floor*
Maurits Barendrecht, Academic Director Hague Institute for the
Internationalisation of Law
- 09.35-09.50 **Key note address**
Ben Knapen, Minister for European Affairs and International Cooperation, The
Netherlands
- 09.50-12.15 Monitoring and Evaluating Rule of Law in the European Union**
Moderator: **Tom de Bruijn**, State Councillor
- 09.50-10.05 **Presentation Concept paper** (15 minutes)
Martin Gramatikov, Researcher Hague Institute for the
Internationalisation of Law
- 10.05-10.20 **Reactions by measuring experts** (5 minutes each)
Sergio Carrera, Centre for European Policy Studies
Michaela Saisana, European Commission – Joint Research Centre
Institute for the Protection and Security of the Citizen
- 10.20-11.00 **Plenary discussion**
- 11.00-11.25 Coffee break *in "Refectorium" on Souterrain*
- 11.25-11.35 **Lacunae in existing data and Guardians of Justice** *in "Historische Leeszaal" on Ground
floor*
Maurits Barendrecht
- 11.35-12.10 **Plenary discussion**

- 12.10-12.15 **Conclusions**
- 12.15-13.15 Lunch in "Refectorium" on Souterrain
- 13.15-13.45 **Presentations of existing initiatives in monitoring rule of law and justice** (15 minutes each) in "Historische Leeszaal" on Ground floor
- Rule of law monitoring in the EU Area of Freedom, Security and Justice***
Jan Terstegen, Ministry of Justice and Security, International and European Affairs
- Corruption monitoring***
Sabine Zwaenepoel, European Commission DG HOME – Unit Fight against organised crime
- 13.45-15.00 **Break out sessions** in "Break out Rooms" on Ground floor
- Break out session 1: Placing the mechanism inside the EU: Challenges (including Legal Basis) and Solutions**
Moderator: **Tom van Oorschot**, Director Legal Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Break out session 2: Placing the mechanism outside the EU: Challenges and Solutions**
Moderator: **David Raič**, Deputy Director Hague Institute for the Internationalisation of Law
- 15.00-15.30 Coffee break in "Refectorium" on Souterrain
- 15.30-16.15 **Results of breakout sessions by moderators, followed by discussion** in "Historische Leeszaal" on Ground floor
Moderator: **Ronald Janse**, Hague Institute for the Internationalisation of Law
- 16.15-16.45 **Conclusions: Way Forward, inside or outside EU, and how?**
Maurits Barendrecht
- 17.00 – 18.30 **Reception** in "Refectorium" on Souterrain