



# Court staff categories in the EU

## Czech Republic

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### DESCRIPTION OF CATEGORIES OF COURT STAFF in Czech Republic

#### 1. Court staff category / profession

Name of Court Staff Category	In Czech: <b>Čekatel</b> (justiční čekatel; právní čekatel)
	In English: <b>trainee</b> (judicial trainee – future judge; legal trainee – future prosecutor)
Legal basis / regulatory documents	<a href="#">Act No 6/2002 Sb.</a> , as amended (Act on courts and judges) <a href="#">Act No 283/1993 Sb.</a> , as amended (Act on Public Prosecutor's Office)

#### 2. Access to the category / profession

Main Access conditions	<b>Qualifications:</b> Higher education master in law  <b><u>Aspects of EU law:</u> are compulsory</b>
Access process	Recruitment procedure: takes place at <b>court level or Public Prosecutor's Office level</b> Recruitment process: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interview by recruitment jury</li> <li>• Practical tests (testing practical skills)</li> </ul>

Alternative access routes	Transfer routes from other professions: <b>Yes</b>	
<i>3. Responsibilities / Duties</i>		
General responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specific competences regarding judicial decisions</li> <li>• Administrative tasks</li> </ul> <p><b>This staff category plays an important role in:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Civil law and procedures (cross-border civil procedures)</li> <li>• Commercial law and procedures (cross-border commercial procedures)</li> <li>• Criminal law and procedures (cross-border criminal procedures)</li> <li>• Enforcement of court decisions</li> <li>• Assistance to judges and/or public prosecutors</li> <li>• Data protection</li> </ul>	
Role in process with EU law aspects	Aspects of <b>EU law</b> are becoming more important as more EU legislative instruments are being adopted	
<i>4. Organisation of the category / profession</i>		
Organising Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Court</li> <li>• Public Prosecutor's Office</li> <li>• Ministry of Justice</li> </ul> <a href="http://portal.justice.cz/Justice2/Uvod/uvod.aspx">http://portal.justice.cz/Justice2/Uvod/uvod.aspx</a>	
Training providers		
	numbers	1 State Body (Judicial Academy)
	types	1 Public sector structure
	Name(s)	<a href="#">Justiční akademie (Judicial Academy)</a>
Professional organisation(s)	Unie VSÚ (professional body) - Union of Higher Court Clerks	

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