

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: Asistent (asistent soudce; asistent státního zástupce)	
	In English: Assistant (assistant to judge; assistant to prosecutor at district and regional level)	
Legal basis / regulatory documents	Act No 6/2002 Sb., as amended (Act on courts and judges) Act No 283/1993 Sb., as amended (Act on Public Prosecutor's Office)	
2. Access to the category / profession		
Main Access conditions	Qualifications: Higher education master in law Aspects of EU law: are compulsory	
Access process	Recruitment procedure: takes place at court level or Public Prosecutor's Office level	

Alternative access routes	Recruitment process: • Interview by Head of Court/Public Prosecutor's Office: Candidates are usually interviewed by the Head of Court or the Head of Public Prosecutor's Office who can be accompanied by a judge / judges or one or more prosecutors; sometimes it can be a Commission composed by the Head of Court and judge(s) or commission composed by the Head of Prosecutor's Office and one prosecutor (or more prosecutors). Transfer routes from other professions: NO, all candidates must go through the normal recruitment procedure	
3. Responsibilities / Duties		
General responsibilities	 Specific competences regarding judicial decisions Procedures Administrative tasks 	
Pole in process with FII	This staff category plays an important role in: Civil law and procedures Commercial law and procedures Criminal law and procedures Procedural rights in criminal procedures Rights of the victim Rights of the child Administrative law and procedures Environmental law and procedures Assistance to judges and/or public prosecutors	
Role in process with EU law aspects	Aspects of EU law: are becoming more important as more EU legislative instruments are being adopted	
4. Organisation of the category / profession		
Organising Structure	 Court Public Prosecutor's Office Ministry of Justice http://portal.justice.cz/Justice2/Uvod/uvod.aspx 	

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Training providers		
	numbers	1 State Body (Judicial Academy)
	types	1 Public sector structure
	Name(s)	Justiční akademie (Judicial Academy)
Professional organisation(s)		Unie asistentů soudců (<u>Union of Judge Assistants</u>)

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