

## Tools for courts and practitioners

The European Union (EU) is acting to facilitate cross-border cooperation between courts and among legal practitioners. Legislative instruments have been introduced to help speed up cross-border proceedings, to take account of other Member States' criminal judgments and to use information technology to make the legal systems of the Member States more accessible to the general public and to legal practitioners.



This part of the Portal indicates to legal practitioners the legislative instruments that are available to facilitate cross-border proceedings in civil and commercial matters as well as in criminal matters. Here you will find explanations on:

- [Videoconferencing in cross-border proceedings](#)
- [Judicial cooperation in civil and commercial matters](#)
- [Judicial cooperation in criminal matters.](#)

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