

Questionnaire „A“

I.

Name of the training institution: Judicial Academy (thereinafter only “the Academy”) established under law No. 548/2003 Coll. as amended.

In Slovakia, there is only one training institution with nation-wide coverage common for judges and prosecutors, court officials, prosecutor trainees.

II.

- a) There are 3 permanent members of the teachers’ staff in the Academy / according to the Status the Academy there should be 6 members of the teachers’ staff, divided as follows:
- department of criminal law,
 - department of administrative and financial law,
 - department of commercial law,
 - department of community and international law,
 - department of foreign languages, psychology and other social sciences and informatics,

Members of the teachers’ staff are appointed by the Minister of Justice of the Slovak Republic or by the General Prosecutor of the Slovak Republic.

- b) There aren’t any.
- c) As to 20 March 2006 the Academy had 98 occasional trainers of the teachers’ staff.
- d) As to 20 March 2006 the Academy had 23 employees.
- e) The Academy is a public non-profit organisation / budgetary organisation of the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic established by law.
- f) - The Academy is a budgetary organisation of the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic,
- In cooperation with the High Council of Magistrates formulates and approves the academic plan.
- g) Independent institution.
- h) The only one institution with nation-wide coverage.

III.

- Administrative staff are selected on the basis of the selection procedure organised by the Director of the Academy.
- The selection of members of the teachers’ staff is accomplished by the Board of the Academy following the proposal of the Minister of Justice, judicial committees, the General Prosecutor and the Director of the Academy under the Rules of Selection Procedure for the office of the Head of Department and members of the teachers’ staff, approved by the Board of the Academy.

IV.

- Permanent members - 3 judges,

- Occasional members
 - 40 judges
 - 24 prosecutors
 - 30 other / experts, psychologists, lawyers, academics, etc.

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V.

Original professions – experts, psychologists, lawyers, academics, etc.

VI.

So far there are no retired trainers working in the Academy.

VII.

Selection of a permanent member of the teachers' staff:

- exercise of the office at least 5 years,
- specialised skills / interview with the Board of the Academy /,
- comprehensive knowledge of a foreign language.

Selection of an occasional member of the teachers' staff:

- exercise of the office or professional practise at least 5 years,
- questionnaire filled in for the Academy.

VIII.

Occasional trainers of the Academy do not have any advantages or exemptions within their working obligations. Their employer allows them to lecture.

IX.

In 2006, there will be held course of 4 trainings for trainers which will comprise of methodology, rhetoric, powerpoint, etc. Individual training under the department of criminal law once a year. Trainings of trainers are not compulsory.

X.

Slovak judiciary and prosecutor's office are connected via intranet and internet.

XI.

- International cooperation has just begun as the Academy exists only as from 2004.
- The Academy is a member of the EJTN (European Judicial Training Network), ERA, Lisbon Network.
- Cooperation with office of the Council of Europe in the Slovak Republic / organising of seminars, scholarships in Strasbourg, Luxembourg /.
- The Academy is involved in the exchange programme PEAJ 2005 in cooperation with the EJTN.
- Participation in seminars and international conferences related to criminal law in cooperation with the AGIS.
- Participation in conference related to criminal law / European Warrant of Arrest / in cooperation with the European Commission and TAIEX.