

European Union of Rechtspfleger - EUR

The President

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to

Mr Georgios Diamantis, President Ms Marianthi Misailidou, Sec. Gen. Federation of the Judicial Clerks of Greece (O.D.Y.E - F.J.C.G.)

Re: EUR supports the Federation of the Judicial Clerks of Greece

Dear President, dear Secretary General,

First of all, let me thank you for your email of this day and your interest in the activities of the European Union of Rechtspfleger.

We welcome contacts with our Greek colleagues as we are always willing to entertain cultural and collegial relations beyond boundaries, to support and promote European integration. Working with Greek Judicial Clerks would be a privilege considering the amount of knowledge and support we could receive from each other.

You have informed me that your organisation is calling for a strike tomorrow to demand the recruitment of Judicial Clerks, training and computerisation, as well as higher wages.

As you know, non-judge staff professions of the courts are a vital element of all judicial systems. Due to their unique role and position, they are a link between citizens and justice, they ensure that these citizens receive a quality decision within reasonable time and that this decision is enforced. As such, they participate actively to public confidence, which is the basis for the rule of law.

Therefore, the rule of law is at stake when there are not enough Judicial Clerks, when their wages do not match the level of their responsibilities and when they do not have the training and tools that they need.

You are not alone in facing these issues and it is one of the European Union of Rechtspfleger's purposes to support our Member Organisations. Together we are stronger and can achieve more.

I look forward to enjoying a fruitful collaboration with you and your organisation, in the interest of our colleagues and of justice as a whole.

Yours sincerely,

Vivien Whyte,

EUR President

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