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SURVEY ON TRAINEESHIP

ERASMUS+ STUDENT MOBILITY FOR TRAINEESHIP

Mrs. Madalina Ghibu

Q: Would you please indicate your first and last name as well as the sending institution?

A: My name is Ghibu Costina-Madalina, and my sending institution is Transilvania University of Brasov.

Q: What did drive you to choose IECLO and the University of Salerno as hosting institution?

A: I was particularly drawn to IECLO and the University of Salerno because of their strong academic reputation in the field of International and European Criminal Law. The Observatory's work aligns closely with my academic interests and career goals, and I saw this as a valuable opportunity to gain hands-on experience in a field I'm passionate about.

Q: How long did your traineeship last?

A: My traineeship lasted 2 months, from 01.07.2025 to 30.08.2025.

Q: How was the reception from the Mentor and from the other Members of the Observatory?

A: The reception from my mentor and the members of the Observatory was incredibly warm and supportive. I felt welcomed from the very beginning, and they were always available to guide and assist me whenever needed.

Q: Could you please explain in detail your occupations during the traineeship?

A: During my traineeship, I was involved in legal research, writing case summaries, and contributing to reports on international and European criminal law. I also assisted in reviewing legal documents and occasionally attended conferences or meetings related to ongoing Observatory projects.

Q: Did you have any colleagues? Were you included in a team of similarly tasked personnel?

A: Yes, I worked alongside other trainees and interns. We collaborated on shared research tasks and supported each other in completing assignments. The team dynamic was positive and encouraged knowledge exchange.

Q: What did you enjoy the most of this experience?



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A: What I enjoyed most was the opportunity to apply academic knowledge to real-world issues. Being part of a team that engages with current developments in international criminal justice was both intellectually stimulating and deeply rewarding.

Q: Has the traineeship in some way changed the way you look at or approach working?

A: Absolutely. The experience has taught me to be more detail-oriented, proactive, and comfortable working independently while also valuing team collaboration. It gave me a more structured approach to legal research and writing.

Q: Do you believe this working experience has deepened your knowledge in the field of International and European Criminal Law in comparison to your level at the start of the traineeship?

A: Yes, without a doubt. My understanding of the subject has grown significantly thanks to the practical exposure and the chance to engage with current legal debates and developments in this field.

Q: Do you believe this working experience has honed your skills in work management (e.g., team-working, time management, etc.) in comparison to your level at the start of the traineeship?

A: Yes, the experience helped me improve several key skills, including time management, prioritizing tasks, and working efficiently in a team. It also enhanced my ability to meet deadlines and maintain high-quality work under pressure.

Q: Do you feel that your working/career aspirations and goals have in some way changed since the start of the traineeship?

A: This experience has also opened my eyes to potential career paths within international institutions and legal research bodies.