

# First Rule of Law Dialogue with organisations active in the fields of justice and anti-corruption in Belgium

## *Meeting report*



On 25 October 2022, the Commission Representation in Belgium hosted the first Rule of Law dialogue with Commissioner Reynders and organisations active in the fields of justice and anti-corruption in Belgium.

Following an introduction by Head of Representation Stefaan De Rynck, the Commissioner presented the 2022 Rule of Law Report and replied to questions from participants on the Belgian chapter.



In a roundtable discussion under Chatham House rules, participants engaged in an open discussion on the Belgian chapter of the 2022 Rule of Law Report, including on the recommendations addressed to Belgium on justice and anti-corruption.

The discussion touched upon topics such as digitalisation and efficiency of justice, financial and human resources for the justice system, the execution of court judgments, the role and protection of the legal profession, the perception of corruption by the general public, the adoption of measures to combat COVID-19, the functioning of independent organisations with supervisory powers, and the role of independent organisations representing the judiciary.

The following organisations participated in the roundtable discussion: College of Courts and Tribunals, College of Prosecutors General, High Council for Justice, Flemish Bar Association, French- and German-speaking Order of the Belgian Bar, Magistracy & Society, Syndical Association of Magistrates, Transparency International Belgium, Federal Institute for Human Rights, ENNHRI, League for Human Rights (NL) and League for Human Rights (FR).

