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## *Evaluation Report on GoInEUplus – Final Conference Online*

### **Integration, Migration, Transnational Relationships. Governing Inheritance Statutes after the Entry into force of EU Succession Regulations**

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**Background:** The purpose of this report is to measure the strengths and weaknesses of Final Conference Online of the *GoInEUplus* project. This to make the realization of the future events of the project "follow-up" more effective and efficient in relation to the target groups of the recipients.

The Final Conference online event replaces the attending event forecast for Rome but converted in online due to the containment rules for the spread of Covid-19 disease. The Conference was divided into **two sessions**: one in the morning the other in the afternoon.

The Conference was organized by FIN (Fondazione Italiana del Notariato), beneficiary leader of the initiative in three languages of work: English, Italian and French and recorded for the legal practitioners in the website Lex.Tv.it.

**Questionnaires:** Unlike other events with direct participation, for this Final Conference it was decided to invite the participants to fill in the questionnaire online but on quality and impact evaluation<sup>1</sup>.

The questionnaire as usual aimed at identifying the critical aspects of the event we organized in order to improve its quality in the future. It has been foreseen to have answers both multiple-choice questions as well as some open questions set to collect general comments on the event.

**Executive summary:** On a presumed number of 120 participants, of which in fact were a few around 212 participants<sup>2</sup>, we received **64 completed questionnaires**. A percentage that is around **30%** of the participants and taking in account the situation of this event makes the sampling numerically interesting for the survey that was required.

From a general point of view, the seminar was understood and appreciated by most of the participants. More than **8 out of 10 participants answered more than positively** to understanding the purpose of the initiative (Degree of satisfaction: *a lot, very much*).

Another significant result emerged from the analysis of the questionnaires completed is the high approval given by the participants with respect to the capacity and quality of the speakers. Prized particularly for the good knowledge and competence of the subject.

The quality of the material was appreciated by the participants. On the one hand the material physical available and on the other the presentations of the speakers.

<sup>1</sup> See the shortcoming before the end of the project and the fact that it was organized online it was decided to join together the questionnaires

<sup>2</sup> The number is global for all participants regardless of registration for individual events: 187 *legal practitioners* +25 (speakers and members partners)

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To have an overall and detailed picture of the evaluations expressed by the participants, all the 5 sections included in the questionnaire submitted to the participants are examined in the following pages. Specifically:

1. Objectives
2. Content
3. Speakers
4. Self-evaluation of the attendants to the event
5. Organization

## Training

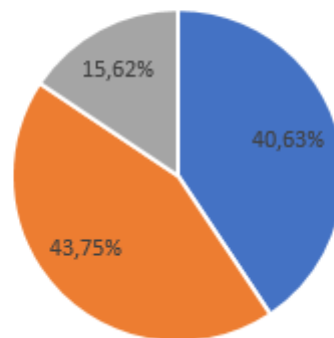
### 1.Objectives

*Question: How clear is the aim of the event (training and exchange)?*

There has been a high understanding and appreciation of the aims and purposes of the initiative.

- 40,63% of highly positive answers (box *Very much*)
- 43,75% *A lot*
- 15,62% *Moderately*

### How clear is the aim of the event (training and exchange)?



From this point of view the objective of stimulating the interest of the target recipients of this Conference has been fully achieved



## 2 Content

*Question: Did the content of the event (subjects addressed) satisfy your expectations?*

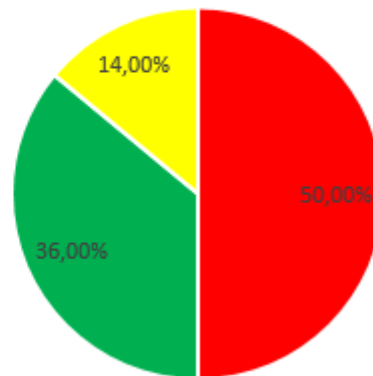
The subject treated has responded to the expectations of the target audience: almost unanimously satisfied the participants (Answers *a lot* and *very much*)<sup>3</sup>.

The theme and the project are of interest to the public and the recipients to whom it is addressed.

*Question: Do you think the content has been treated using appropriate didactic modalities?*

- More than 8 people out of 10 were highly satisfied (Answers *a lot* and *very much*);
- Only around 14% of respondents moderately appreciated the combination between the subject and the didactic tools used.

Do you think the content has been treated using appropriate didactic modalities?



In this case, as it was for the last events (Iberian and Hungarian Seminar), we must consider:

- A. the different functions of the intervening speakers (university professors, notaries, lawyers, officials);
- B. the instruments that they used for their presentations.

*Question: Please comment on the didactic modalities used considering which one of them has facilitated your understanding and learning*

*Presentations / slides  
Best practice exchange*

<sup>3</sup> 17% of the questionnaires gave the answer *Moderately*



The question was introduced for receiving useful feedback from the participants on the two principal tools used to facilitate their understanding and learning. Consequently, the choice for the answers were structured in three different options<sup>4</sup>:

- *Effective*
- *Not effective*
- *Not applicable*

Comparing the answers on the two proposed tools, we noticed a predominance in favour of slides presentations.

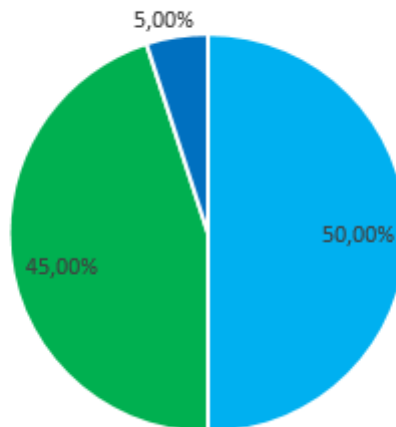
In fact, close unanimously the participants have positively evaluated the offer (*presentations/slides*). Confirmation that even for a qualified audience such as that of the legal professions, a text and a presentation accompanied by video or visual presentations is much more appreciated and admissible.

As noticed in the past events, always highly appreciated the part of the Conference dedicated to the discussion of concrete cases and the exchange of good practices.

*Question: How effective would you rate the organization of the event in terms of division of working time, general length, length per trainer, availability of video-lectures and discussion time?*

Unanimous appreciation. With maximum liking (*very much*) that was 50% of the answers.

### How effective would you rate the organization of the event ?

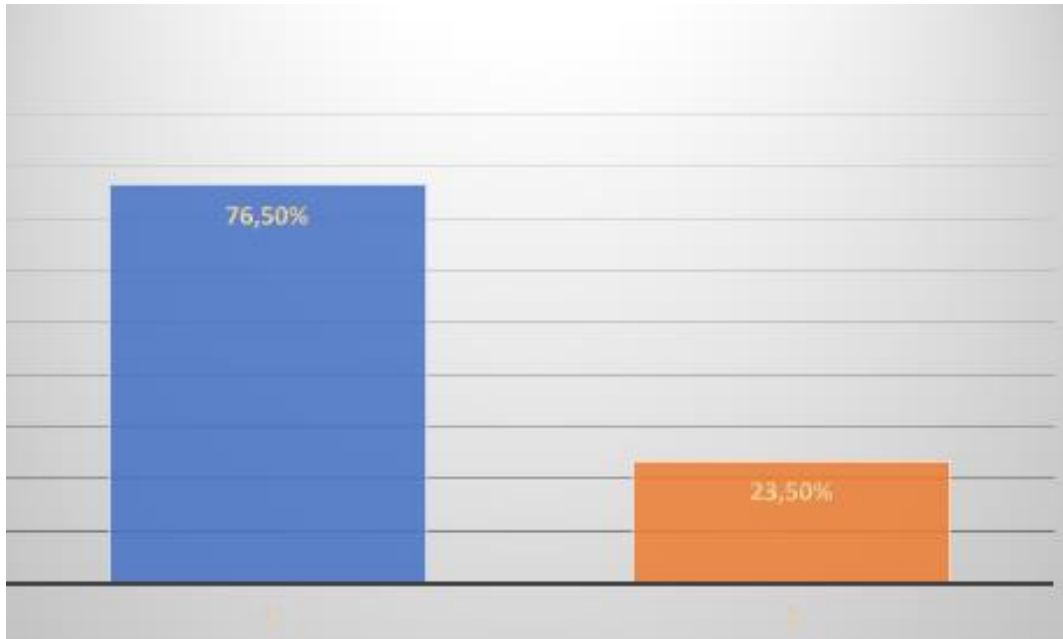


<sup>4</sup> A formal error noticed on the copies of the questionnaire has presumably slightly altered its understanding by the participants



*Question: Would you like to receive additional information? If yes, what exactly?*

With the options YES or NO, 76,5% responded positively<sup>5</sup>.



Of interest are the answers given to the subsidiary question (*If yes, what exactly?*) of the first affirmative answer:

- Slides contents;
- Copy of the presentations;
- Needs to be informed about similar other seminars in agenda;
- Availability of materials;
- To know more on evolution of EU Family and Succession Law rules;
- More info on Court decisions (EU, Council of Europe, etc.);
- To improve networking;

**As mentioned previously, the effort to improve the quality of the initiatives should in any case also encourage the participants the desire to also have a correspondence and exchange follow-up for a profitable follow-up of the projects.**

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<sup>5</sup> Remark: Concerning the answers NO is to be interpreted in a positive sense of satisfaction of the elements made available during the online event

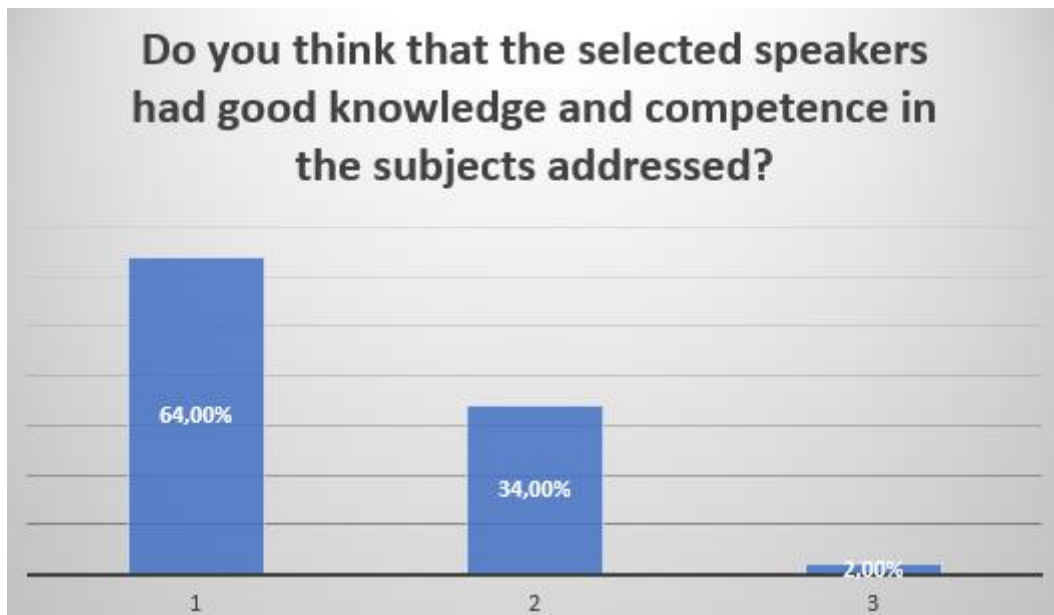




### 3. Speakers

*Question: Do you think that the selected speakers had good knowledge and competence in the subjects addressed?*

- 64% of highly positive answers (box *Very much*)
- 34% *A lot*
- 2% *Moderately*



*Question: Do you think that the speakers have shown good management of their time and materials?*

- 64% of highly positive answers (box *Very much*)
- 34% *A lot*
- 2% *Moderately*



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*Question: Do you think that the speakers have shown communication skills?*



For the participants, the speakers were largely up to the topics discussed.

Unanimously appreciated the knowledge and competence on the subjects treated

#### 4. Self-evaluation of the attendants to the event

##### Knowledge

*Question: How far do you consider having improved your level of knowledge on the subject after attendance to the event?*

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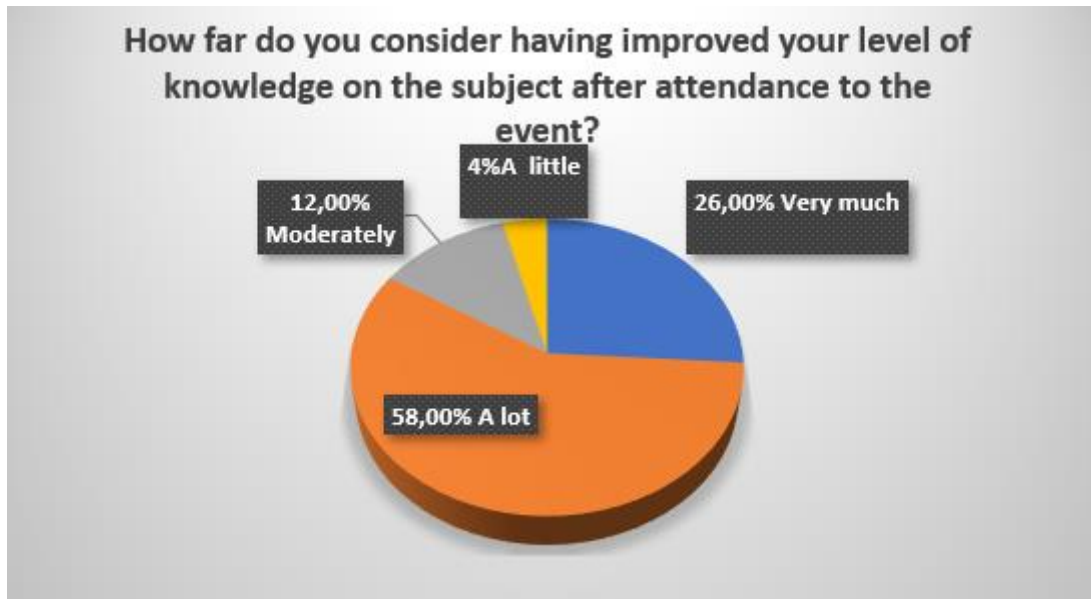


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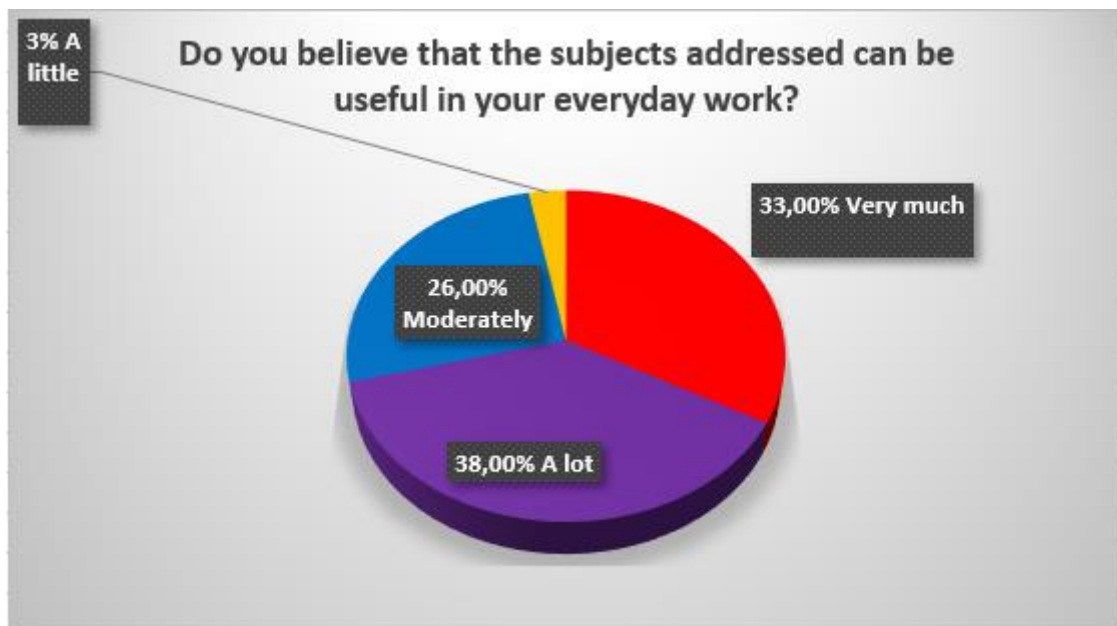
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### Link with professional experience/work

*Question: Do you believe that the subjects addressed can be useful in your everyday work?*



As for the other past events this is the most important part of the questionnaire. The measure of the answers given by the meeting to the expectations and the professional and academic needs of the participants.





Regarding the first question, the responses were highly positive for more than 84% as *very much* and *a lot*. This confirms that the profession of the participants is largely the correct target set by the project

For the second question, more than 71% of respondents answered positively. This is even more interesting, as the wider part of the participants recognized the added value of the initiative from their professional point of view.

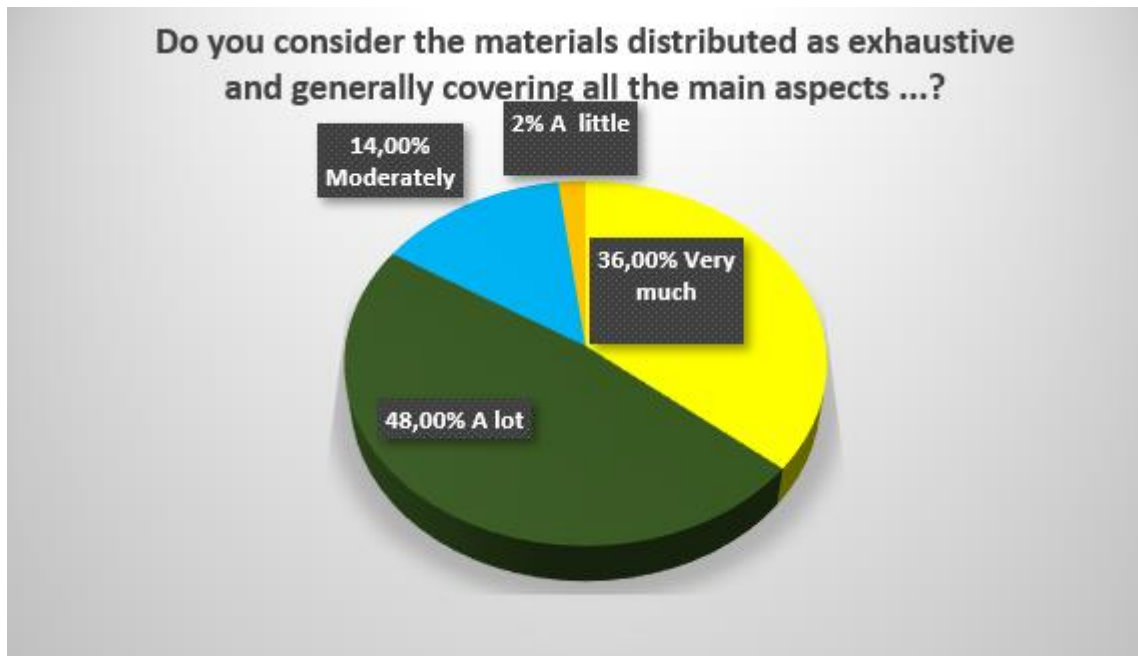
## 5. Organization

*Question: Do you think that the materials distributed have been organized in a clear and simple manner?*

- 44% of highly positive answers (box *Very much*)
- 42% *A lot*
- 14% *Moderately*

The most delicate part, due to the situation of a change from an event in presence to an online event due to Covid-19. Despite these difficulties, the appreciation of the organization of the initiative is interesting. The contact of almost all 200 participants until the conclusion of the conference must be recorded<sup>6</sup>

*Question: Do you consider the materials distributed as exhaustive and generally covering all the main aspects of the subjects addressed?*



<sup>6</sup> Contacts recorded with timing of recording and snapshots taken



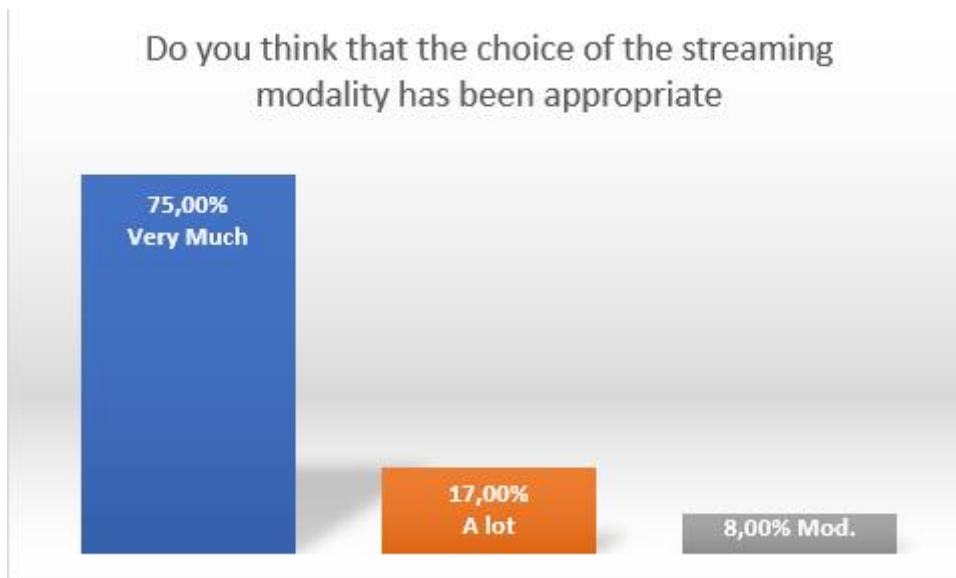
Globally a positive view. More than of participants responded that the material was distributed in a simple and quick manner (86%) and well covering all the aspects of the subject addressed (84%)

## Logistics

*Question: Do you assess the means used to deliver the seminar as well-functioning?*

More than 90% (Very Much and A lot Answers) clearly appreciated the fact that the distributed documentation and presentations covered the topics under discussion well. Waiting to finally have events in place, there is a clear need to expand the availability of materials and documents for discussion. Especially in the discussion of concrete cases

*Question: Do you think that the choice of the streaming modality has been appropriate?*



## Result

The answers given to the questionnaire are comforting on many aspects. And the positive opinion on the organization aspect of the means used to deliver the online seminar (90%) and the choice of the streaming method (92%) they must make us think about future events.

Of great importance is the high appreciation to:

- the quality of the speakers, both for the professionalism and their communication skills;
- the subjects addressed in the event;
- the means and instrument used to deliver the event



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**Recommendation:** The probable unwanted recurrence of pandemic crisis situations and the impossibility, for reasons of public order, of being able to always organize face-to-face events should make the European institutions reflect on the positive contribution of increasing online events

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