



Legal Service  
Directorate for Parliamentary and Financial Affairs

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**Subject: Call for expression of interest - Legal assistance to the European Parliament in Croatian law - Ref. EP-LS/LUX/2026/VL/0004-HR**

The European Parliament regularly launches public procurement procedures for the provision of legal assistance by a law firm operating in a given jurisdiction and in a specific field of law. These procedures are governed by the provisions of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (hereinafter: the “FR”).

Typically, the legal assistance sought consists of: preparing legal opinions, advising the European Parliament, being available to the European Parliament to provide any explanations necessary for the interpretation of the opinions or advice provided, monitoring a specific case, advising the European Parliament on the initiation, conduct and follow up of negotiations, litigation, administrative procedures, arbitration or conciliation procedures, and representing the European Parliament in the negotiations or procedures initiated. This list is not exhaustive. The assistance sought requires, in particular, in-depth legal knowledge in a specific field of law and in a specific jurisdiction.

In order to identify law firms potentially interested in representing the European Parliament before the Croatian courts and providing legal assistance in non-litigation files under Croatian law, the Legal Service of the European Parliament is launching a call for expression of interest in accordance with the provisions of point 13.1(b) of Annex I to the FR.

This call for expressions of interest will serve as a basis for drawing up lists of potential candidates and tenderers to be invited to submit tenders when the European Parliament launches future procurement procedures to acquire legal assistance services in Croatian law. Separate lists will be drawn up in the following areas:

- A. Labour and Social Law
- B. Insurance Law
- C. Real Estate and Construction Law
- D. Law - Other Fields

Assistance in areas of law other than those covered by Lists A to C such as, e.g., contract law, criminal law, and tax law. The area will be determined in the future invitation to tender, and the law firm on the list will be invited and free to submit a bid if it considers it has the required expertise in the area.

For reasons of internal functioning, the assistance sought should be provided, in principle, in English or, on a case-by-case basis, in English and the language of the proceedings before the national authorities or the working language with the local interlocutors.

If your law firm is interested in this call for expression of interest, you are invited to express your interest by sending an email to the following address: [cei.legal.assistance@europarl.europa.eu](mailto:cei.legal.assistance@europarl.europa.eu)

Please clearly specify the following:

- the procedure reference: EP-LS/LUX/2026/VL/0004-HR;
- the name of your law firm or equivalent (e.g. name of the sole practitioner);
- the address of your law firm or equivalent;
- valid contact information (name of contact person(s) and an email address) for the possible distribution of invitations to tender; and
- the list(s) in which you wish to express interest.

It is possible to express interest in multiple lists.

Please note that you do not need to submit any documents beyond the information referred to above. The registration on the list is automatic. It does not guarantee the award of a contract nor oblige the European Parliament to launch procurement procedures in the fields referred to.

The validity of the lists is limited to four years from the date of publication of the notice in the Official Journal of the European Union. Interest may be expressed at any time during the validity of the lists, with the exception of the last three months.

The processing of your response to this call for expression of interest requires the processing of personal data (e.g. name, address). All personal data will be processed in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC, solely for the purposes of establishing, managing and using lists by the Legal Service of the European Parliament. Your lawyers have the right to access their personal data and to correct any errors.

Thank you in advance for your interest in this call.