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Project Remor

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## **Summary report on the courses deployment**

The courses developed under the Remor project were originally planned to take place in a continuous fashion during the project period. However, due to uncertainties concerning the project financing, and due to the high external costs involved in course deployment, most courses were deployed towards the end of the project period.

On the positive side, this enabled the course preparation to take advantage of the other project inputs, including the research activities of the University of Genoa, and the national replies to the project questionnaire.

The first set of courses was deployed in Italy from 19 to 24 November 2007, with a format of first a three-day seminar, and afterwards 2 one-day conferences. The participation was at a very high level, and satisfaction at an equally high level of satisfaction. The courses met the ambition of not only disseminating information, but also inspiring thoughts on avenues for improvement of the present system, both at the national and the EU level.

The second course was held as a seminar in Romania on 13-14 March 2008, with a focus on both national and international issues. The level of satisfaction was high, and the outcome of the two-day seminar was seen as important.

The course in Latvia, planned a two-day conference on 14-15 March 2008, did not take place, owing to the financial restrictions on conference participation. It had been the idea to have this seminar as the final event, giving access to the experiences of the other participating states and rounding off the project outcome. Instead, the final project workshop was held in Latvia.

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The third course was held as a seminar in Malta on 25-26 March 2008, as in Romania with focus on both national and trans-border issues. The participants included both practitioners in the narrow sense, and representatives of courts and authorities, as well as academics. The seminar included both plenary sessions and working group sessions, thus enabling a combination of broad overview and deep discussion. The outcome was highly appreciated by the participants.

Reports have been established from each of the courses and these are available on the project web site. Together with the course materials, and the other outputs of the project, they form a detailed image of the state of the discussion on trans-border maintenance claims, both in relation to present national and EU practices, and in relation to future developments.

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