Annex I

DEVICES
Digital forensic EVIDence: towards Common European Standards in anti-fraud administrative and criminal investigations

Call for experts

DEVICES is a Hercule III Action Grant carried out in Bologna by a research unit composed by Prof. Michele Caianiello, Assistant Prof. Raffaella Brighi and coordinated by Prof. Alberto Camon.

The aim of the research is to compare the different standards relating to the gathering and the admissibility of digital evidence in criminal and administrative proceedings and to put forward a joint proposal for a standard that should be easy to adopt, reliable and acceptable by the Courts.

A certain degree of international exchange is critical to the action’s success: to ensure it, the project’s staff is recruiting four legal experts.

The job of each expert entails:

a) the analysis of the national framework of hard law and best practices currently in force within a given country, pointing out the main strengths as well as the flaws of the system. The gathering techniques and the issues that they rise should be examined with particular attention.

b) the submission of a national report detailing the outcomes of the research;

c) the publication of the national report.

Each expert, however, will have a unique contribute to give, restricting her/his analysis to one of the following countries:

1. Germany;
2. Luxemburg;
3. the Netherlands;
4. Spain.

It will be essential to know the language of the target country and to have a vast knowledge of its legal system as well as its investigative practices.