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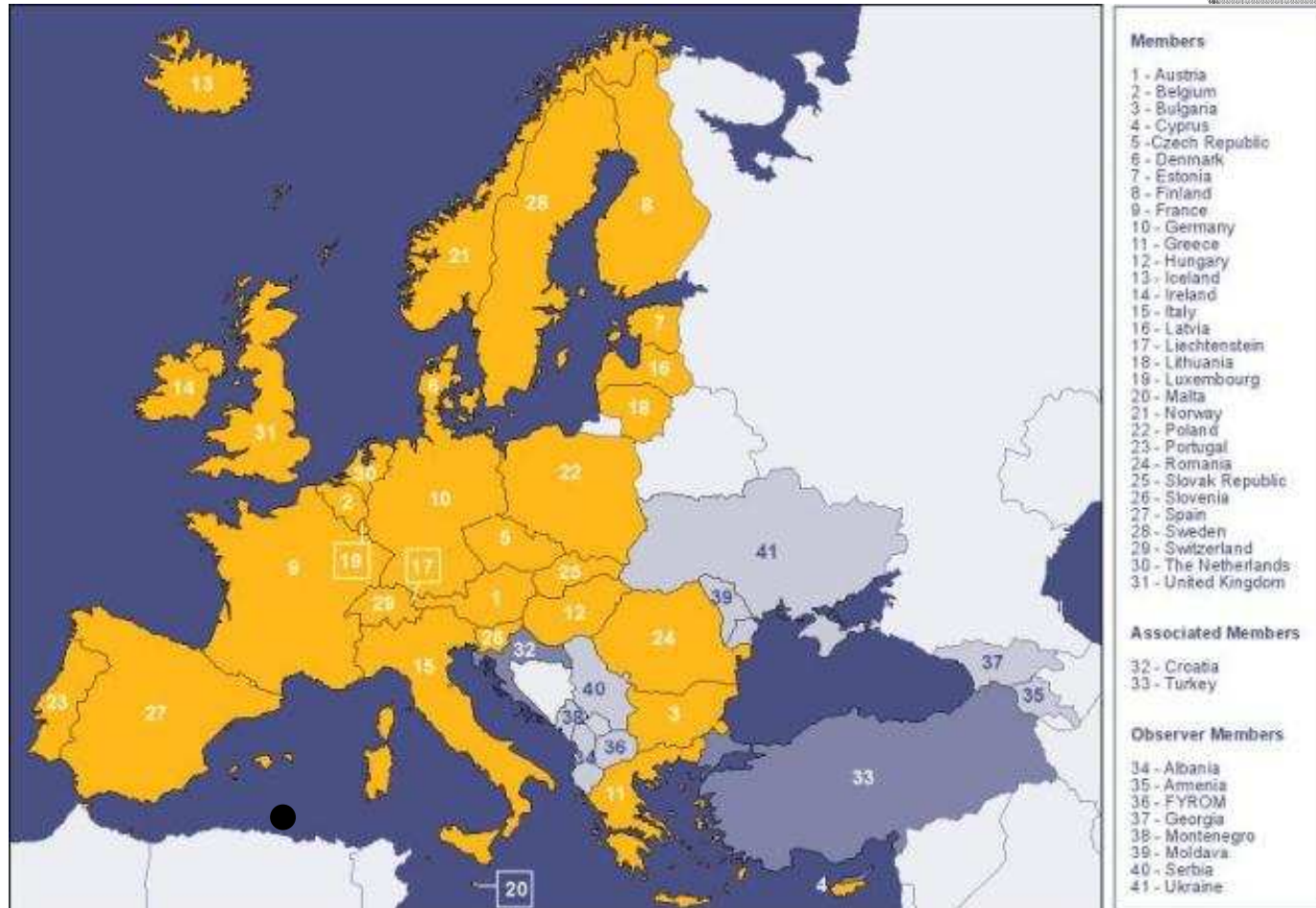
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The CCBE is

- The Council of Bars and Law Societies of Europe (*Conseil des barreaux européens, Consiglio degli Ordini Forensi Europei*)
- 31 full members (EEA & CH) + 2 associate + 9 observer
- Around 1 million lawyers

CCBE members



Brief history

- Created in 1960 to monitor the EEC developments with an impact on the profession
 - Lawyers Services Directive 1977
 - Diplomas Directive 1984
 - Establishment Directive 1998
- Identity card 1977
- Contribution to ECJ case-law (AM&S 1979)

Brief history (contd)

- Code of Conduct 1988 + Charter of Fundamental Principles 2006
- Today, the recognised representative of the profession with the EU institutions
- Permanent Delegation to the EU Courts and to the EFTA Court
- Also liaises with lawyers organisations outside Europe

Objectives

- Monitor the impact on the profession of European legislation
- Ensure that rule of law and the fundamental values defended by the profession are respected
- Contribute to the good quality of legislation

CCBE Presidency

- President: Georges-Albert DAL (Belgium)
- First Vice-President: Marcella PRUNBAUER-GLASER (Austria)
- Second Vice-President: Evangelos TSOUROULIS (Greece)
- Third Vice-President: Aldo BULGARELLI (Italy)

Committees

- Access to justice
- Company law
 - Corporate social responsibility
- Competition
- Criminal law
- Deontology
- Finance
- Free movement of lawyers
- GATS
- Human rights and Relations with the ECtHR
- IT law
- Money laundering
- Multijurisdictional law firms
- PD-Lux
- Training
- PECO

Working groups

- Collective redress
- E-justice
- European authentic act
- European contract law
- European judicial network
- Family and succession law
- International private law
- Legal expenses insurance
- Professional indemnity insurance

Main lobbying issues today

- Procedural rights of suspects and defendants
- Professional secrecy
- Legal aid
- Training for lawyers
- Mutual recognition of acts
- But also **bringing lawyers' expertise**, e.g. in contracts law and family law
- And **projects**: e-Justice (Find-A-Lawyer, defendants factsheets); rule of law promotion in third countries

On social security?

- Report on the Conference organised by the CCBE and the *Cassa nazionale di previdenza e assistenza Forense* on the social security for European Lawyers in Rome (2004-03-26)
- Social security organisations within the EEE - A practical guide for lawyers (2005)
- CCBE Guidelines with a view to a homogeneous application of the principles present in regulation 1408/71/EC by social security organisation (2005)

And on CSR?

Corporate social responsibility and the role of the legal profession - A guide for European Lawyers (30/09/2003) – updated in 2005 and in 2008