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What justice statistics can—and cannot—tell us

Europe's 2024 judicial evaluation offers evidence about courts, budgets and access, using an earlier data year.

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CEPEJ releases its 2024 evaluation

The European Commission for the Efficiency of Justice published its 2024 evaluation cycle, based on 2022 data. The report examines judicial resources, professionals, legal aid, efficiency and technology across participating systems. Its publication year and measurement year must not be confused, and differences between national systems matter when interpreting comparisons.

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THE MALAYSIAN LENS

For Malaysia, this is a comparative research reference, not a direct estimate of domestic legal costs. Our reading: meaningful access-to-justice analysis should distinguish public court spending, legal-aid provision, private fees and case duration. These are different measures. This report alone cannot support a claim that high legal spending causes economic collapse.

QUESTION TO ASK

Does a proposed comparison use the same year, population, court level and definition of spending?

WATCH / NEXT STEP

Read the report's trends and conclusions before extracting a headline number. State missing data and methodological limits rather than turning a cross-country ranking into a prediction.

READ THE ORIGINAL SOURCES

CEPEJ · Evaluation reports and publication dates ↗

CEPEJ · 2024 trends and conclusions (2022 data), PDF ↗

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