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Executive Summary

Two feedback loops were carried out under Task 2.3 ‘Stakeholder discussions’ within Work Package 2 ‘Defining Functional and Technical Requirements’ of the LEILA Project. The aim of the feedback loops was to gather inputs and feedback to further guide the identification of the functional and technical requirements for the development of the LEILA European judicial auction multilingual platform. Stakeholders from five target groups were involved in these loops, to accommodate their specific needs, seek compliance with the different legal and practical judicial auctions’ procedures in Europe, and identify the best approach towards building an EU search portal in this domain.

The first of the feedback loops revolved around the preliminary analysis, while the second were carried out regarding the final requirements being documents drafted. The stakeholders’ feedback was elicited on the users’ functionalities, the system architecture, the data model and the approach to data transformation, and the possible performance indicators for the future platform.

The present document reports on the objectives, settings, and results of a total of twelve activities carried out within both loops: nine closed Joint meetings, one closed Workshop with EU stakeholders and two public Workshops. These events involved a total of more than 100 individuals and over 30 public and private organisations from 16 Member States and at the EU level.

The feedback received in the first loop was instrumental in obtaining solid indications on the main business requirements for the platform and allowed us to define the desired e-CODEX architecture implementation. It also contributed to define the main alternatives on the issues which remained open and required a final decision: the approach to federated data searches (asynchronous or synchronous), the LEILA data model’s best granularity, the approach to data transformation and the possible need for authentication of national users to a single EU platform to maintain their data transformation tables. Early consultations with the Directorate-General ‘Justice and Consumers’ to the European Commission (DG JUST) and the sharing of experiences from different European projects of a similar nature provided special added value to this loop.

The second loop provided all elements to finalise Deliverable D2.4, being the final functional and technical requirements for the development of the EU judicial auction platform within the LEILA Project. The final choice for the system architecture is the one based on the asynchronous approach to federated data searches, in ‘pull’ modality. It was decided that data transformations will take place at national level, with each portal



sending the auctions' data already transformed to the agreed LEILA format via automated service.

The transcoding tables, based on the final version of the LEILA data model, will be shared outside the system, eliminating any need for national users to access the EU platform to further maintain them.

Cooperative relationship has been established with most of the main stakeholder groups, and this participatory approach will be further pursued along the LEILA Project lifetime and beyond. The consultation process with partner portals shall continue regarding all project aspects, not only related to their technical contributions.

Representatives of Member States maintaining portals on judicial auctions shall be included in the next project activities for verification and validation of specific technical issues. Close communications with the professional communities on national and EU level shall be maintained. Key EU stakeholders such as the Me-CODEX consortium, DG JUST and e-Justice portal as well as the Secretariat of the Council of the EU (ref. Working Party on e-Justice), should be kept in the information loop about the project's development, and their precious feedback should be collected during the platform's development, especially in the testing and piloting phases.