

Seminar on “Civil Litigation”

The seminar on “Civil Litigation” will take place on April 23th to 26th in the auditorium of the Civil Service Training Centre located on Alameda Dr. Carlos D' Assumpção n.º 322-362, Cheng Feng Commercial Centre, 7th floor. The seminar aims to consolidate and update the technical knowledge of our professionals in the area of law in terms of the legal framework, legal nature and function of civil procedural law, aspects related to evidence, various means for the exercise of rights, particularly in view of the recent reforms of the Portuguese Code of Civil Procedure and the fundamental principles governing the procedural process.

This training initiative is organised by the Legal and Judicial Training Centre and is integrated as part of the 3rd Macao Special Administrative Region-EU Co-operation Programme in the Legal Field. This seminar will be conducted in Portuguese, with simultaneous interpretation to Cantonese and will feature the following speakers:

1. Professor Paulo José Reis Alves Pimenta, Professor at the Department of Law, UPT- University of Portucalense, Portugal, and President of the Oporto Regional Committee of the Bar Association;
2. Judge Nuno Miguel Laranjeira de Lemos Jorge, Judge in Portugal (civil courts), Portugal and Legal Adviser of the Constitutional Court of Portugal.

During the four daily sessions, which will be taking place from 6:00p.m. to 8:30p.m., the following topics will be discussed:

1. 2019.4.23

- › Framework;
- › The selection of the facts in the Code of Civil Procedure of 1939 and in the Code of Civil Procedure of 1961;
- › The selection of the facts in the 1961 Code of Civil Procedure after the 1995/96 Reform;
- › 2013 Code of Civil Procedure.

2. 2019.4.24

- › The duty of procedural management – general aspects;
- › Precedents of the Duty of procedural management;
- › Procedural management in the 2013 reform;
- › Procedural management and the adversarial principle;
- › Limits of procedural management;
- › Control of the use of procedural management powers – the appeal;
- › The “minor reform” of 2019 - the Draft Bill under preparation and procedural management;
- › Procedural management and the “powers of the judge” in a broad sense;
- › Conclusions.

3. 2019.4.25

- › Amendments relating to appeals – 2007, 2013 and 2019 (expected);
- › The 2007 reform of appeals;
- › The 2013 reform of appeals;
- › The 2019 reform of appeals;
- › Conclusions.

4. 2019.4.26

- › The management platforms in the area of civil justice (*Citius* and *Habilus*);
- › Consultation of legal information;
- › Consultation of jurisprudential information.

The 3rd Co-operation Programme in the Legal Field between the Macao Special Administrative Region and the European Union is going to take place until November 2019. The execution of the Co-operation Programme is coordinated by the Legal Affairs Bureau, together with many entities and public departments of the Macao Special Administrative Region, including the Legal and Judicial Training Centre, the Institute of European Studies of Macau, the Economic Services, the Consumer Council and the Social Welfare Bureau.

◀ **Previous: The Chief Executive, Mr Chui Sai On, attends a plenary session at the Legislative Assembly to answer questions raised by Assembly members concerning Government policy and social issues.**