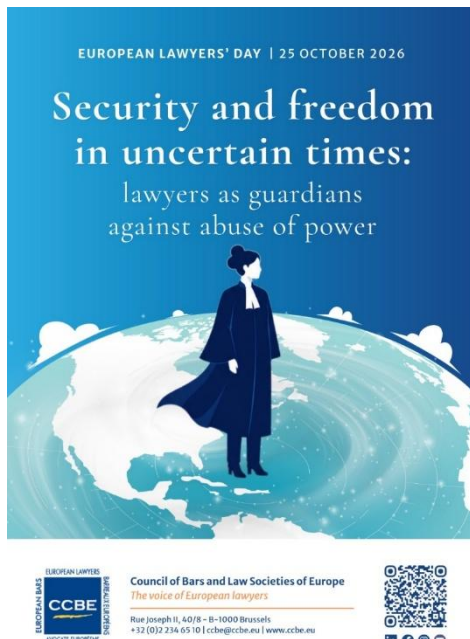


8Ba. Update on the Communication package for European Lawyers' Day 2026



The theme for ELD 2026 is:

'Security and freedom in uncertain times: lawyers as guardians against abuse of power'.

Across Europe and beyond, the language of security is increasingly being used to justify stronger State powers and tighter limits on individual freedoms. The CCBE has chosen the theme of “Security and Freedom” to highlight that security must never become a justification for undermining the rights it is meant to protect. Security is necessary, but it cannot become a pretext for eroding freedom. ELD 2026 will demonstrate how lawyers are the safeguard that keeps that line from being crossed. When

fear drives policy, when exceptional measures become normal, and when States overstep in the name of security, lawyers are the ones who challenge abuse, protect fundamental rights, and uphold democracy under the rule of law. When the balance between security and freedom is under strain, lawyers defend the rule of law that protects both.

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Useful Communication kit to download:



- Posters: [English](#) | [French](#)
- Note for Bars and Law Societies on how to promote ELD: [English](#) | [French](#)

Available in October:



- Social media kit (including visuals and text descriptions)
- Article on the theme

Date of the event:

25 October 2026

Communication campaign dates:

19 October – 25 October 2026