

Mastering State Aid and Grant Allocation: From Fundamentals to Advanced Practice in EU Funds



DATE: 10, 11 and 12 November 2025
LOCATION: Hotel Molina Lario,
C/ Molina Lario 20,
Málaga, Spain

About The Seminar

This three-day seminar provides a comprehensive and practice-oriented introduction to EU State Aid Law and the allocation of public funds. Tailored to both newcomers and experienced professionals, the program combines legal foundations with real-world application, focusing on the interpretation and implementation of State Aid rules in the context of EU-funded programs and projects.

Participants will gain in-depth knowledge of the rationale behind State Aid rules, key legal concepts, types of aid, and compliance requirements. The seminar also addresses current policy developments, funding instruments such as loans and guarantees, irregularities, and practical strategies for ensuring legal certainty and audit readiness.

Through a mix of expert input, interactive sessions, and practical case studies, this seminar offers valuable tools for navigating the complexities of State Aid law and maximising the effective use of EU resources.

Program

| 10 November 2025 | 11 November 2025 | 12 November 2025 |
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| 09.00 Welcome and introduction of the participants | 09.00 Wrap up day 1 – Q&A session | 09.00 Wrap up day 2 |
| 09.30 Introduction to EU State Aid Law – history and motivation | 09.15 Services of General Economic Interest (incl. Altmark) | 09.15 State Aid rules and infrastructure |
| 10.30 Coffee break | 10.00 First practical example: assessment of a State aid case | 10.00 Practical example on infrastructure - assessment |
| 10.45 Key concepts and principles and types of state aid rules | 10.30 Coffee break | 10.30 Tea break |
| 12.00 De minimis aid: practical experiences | 10.45 Outcome and discussion | 10.45 Outcome and discussion |
| 12.30 Lunch break | 11:30 State Aid rules and SCOs | 11.15 Aid for Innovation (R&D) |
| 13:30 What is a SME company? | 12.00 Dealing with irregularities and recovery of aid and audit | 11.45 Supporting green transition and environmental aid |
| 14.15 How to combine EU funding and national funding | 12.30 Lunch break | 12.30 Lunch break |
| 15.00 Tea break | 13:30 Financial Instruments (loans, equity, guarantees) | 13:30 Third practical example |
| 15.15 How to grant legitimate State aid: using the GBER | 14.15 Incentive effect, Transparency Module | Assessment, discussion and explanation on a case |
| 16.30 End of day 1 | 15.00 Coffee break | 15.00 Tea break |
| | 15.15 Novelties like the upcoming de-minimis register and EU Industry Policy | 15.15 Assessing State aid projects of the participants |
| | 16:15 End of day 2 | 15:45 Wrap up of the seminar and sharing eyeopeners |
| | | 16:15 End of seminar |

The topics on the agenda will be presented and discussed with practical cases and situations to achieve a maximum learning experience.

Meet our speakers



Katarzyna Pamuła-Wróbel

Katarzyna Pamuła-Wróbel is a Director at Olesiński i Wspólnicy in a State aid Department. She specializes in legal advisory services related to State aid and European funds. For almost 11 years she worked at the Office of Competition and Consumer Protection in the Department of State Aid Monitoring, where she held the position of Deputy Director for the last 4 years. She has many years of experience in examining the existence of State aid and ensuring its compatibility with the internal market.

Katarzyna is professionally occupied with important projects of common European interest (IPCEI) as well as aid for RDI and aid in energy sector.

She has participated in a number of notification proceedings before the European Commission, and represented the Polish side in complaints and monitoring cases before the European Commission. She has successfully conducted notification proceedings on IPCEI in the battery sector, hydrogen and microelectronics as well as many anti-crisis aid.



Melvin Könings

Melvin Könings is senior managing consultant on EU State aid affairs for the Lysias Consulting Group in The Netherlands. He studied Public Administration. Melvin has a wide practical experience in local, national, and international civil service.

From his in deep State aid assessments, Melvin Könings knows a wide variety of policy instruments in detail. Not only from a legal perspective, but also from an economic and political perspective. He is also very well informed on the notification procedures for State aid measures, both procedural but also practical.

Melvin has a lot of experience in providing State aid training. He was a lecturer in the European Institute for Public Administration (EIPA) in Maastricht (NL) and at present he is visiting lecturer at the Avans University of Applied Sciences (NL). He regularly provides presentations for both civil service and industry.

Price and Registration

The price of this seminar is € 1.795 excluding VAT for early booking (before 10 October 2025). Afterwards the price is € 1.995 excluding VAT.

You are welcome to reserve your seat(s). For this, please book via our website <http://www.seeu-academy.eu> or send an email to: registration@seeu-academy.eu

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Invoice

The invoice will be sent after the registration and is to be paid within 14 days (and ultimately one week in advance of the seminar).

Cancellation

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Questions

If you have any further questions, please contact us.
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We are looking forward to welcoming you.
See U in Malaga!

