

ADR: What works? Diego F. Martinotti

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ADR in the EU Background (1/2)

30.03.1998	Commission Recommendation on the principles applicable for out-of-court settlement of consumer disputes
04.04.2001	Commission Recommendation on the principles for out- of-court bodies involved in the consensual resolution of consumer disputes
19.09.2002	Green Paper on alternative dispute resolution in civil and commercial law
12.03.2003	European Parliament resolution on Commission's Green Paper



ADR in the EU Background (2/2)

02.07.2004	European Code of Conduct for Mediators
22.10.2004	Draft Directive on certain aspects of mediation in civil and commercial matters
08.11.2005	Draft Directive reviewed by Presidency
21.05.2011	Directive 2008/52/EC on certain aspects of mediation in civil and commercial matters
15.03.2011	Deadline to submit comments to the "Consultation Paper on ADR as a means to resolve disputes related to commercial transactions and practices in the EU"

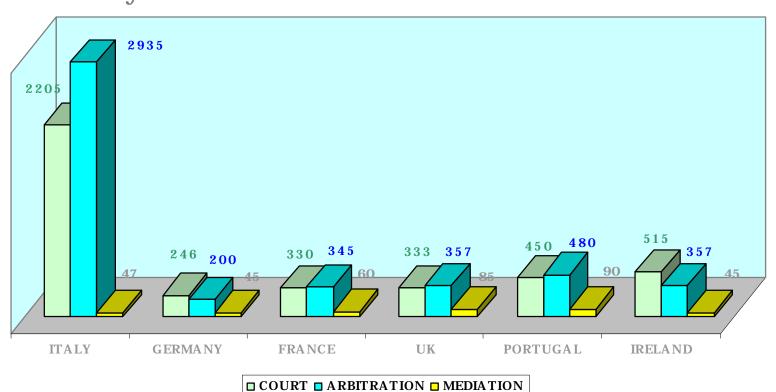


ADR in the EU Directive 2008/52/EC

- **Ü** Applicable in cross-border civil and commercial disputes;
- **Ü** Enforceability of agreements resulting from mediation;
- **Ü** Confidentiality;
- **Ü** Limitations and prescriptions periods;
- **Ü** Report on the application of the Directive by 21/05/2016;
- **Ü** Member States required to comply by 21/05/2011.



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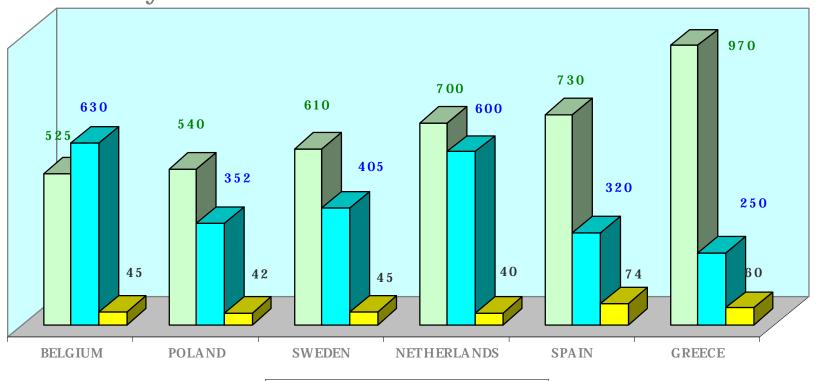


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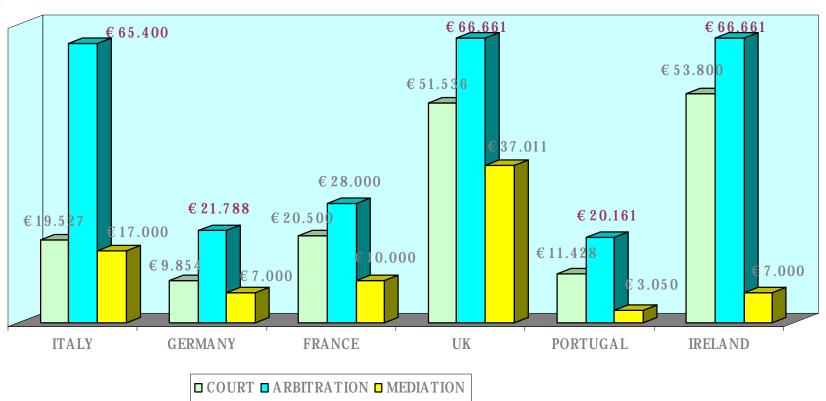


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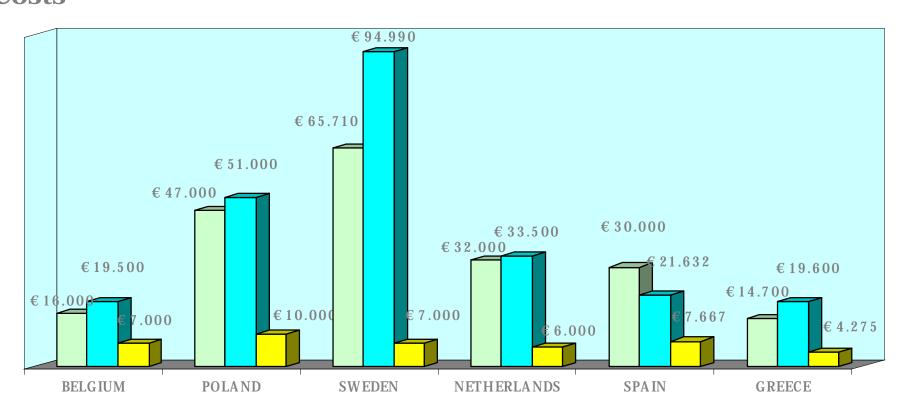
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ADR in the EU

Conclusions*

- **Ü** Using a "mediation-then-court" approach generates:
 - **Ü** Savings in time of 331/436 days;
 - Ü Savings in costs of €12.471/€13.738 per case.
- **Ü** Using a "mediation-then-arbitration" approach generates:
 - **Ü** Savings in time 409/484 days;
 - Ü Savings in costs of €11.265/12.984 per case.

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