



European Court of Human Rights elects Vice-President and three Section Presidents

The European Court of Human Rights elected a new Vice-President – **Angelika Nußberger** (Germany) – on Monday 12 December 2016. She has been elected for a three-year term and will take up her duties on 1 February 2017.

The Court also elected **Helena Jäderblom** (Sweden), **Linos-Alexandre Sicilianos** (Greece) and **Ganna Yudkivska** (Ukraine) as Section Presidents. They have all been elected for a two-year term and will take up their respective duties on 1 February 2017.

The Court is composed of one judge in respect of each of the 47 States to have ratified the European Convention on Human Rights. Judges work in five Sections from which Chambers of seven judges are constituted. The Court also sits as a Grand Chamber of 17 judges. The Court has two Vice-Presidents both of whom also preside over Sections, the other three Sections each having a Section President.

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