

Liechtenstein – national procedures for mutual legal assistance in criminal matters  
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States Parties are requested to fill in this table with the necessary information and return it to the Secretariat of the PC-OC. The information contained in this table should be updated on a yearly basis.

The Central Authority (name of the institution, address, telephone, fax and e-mail where available) responsible for mutual legal assistance:	The competent central authority is the Office of Justice Aeulestrasse 70, 9490 Vaduz, Liechtenstein Tel: ++423/236-6590 Fax: ++43/236-7581 Mail: info.aju@llv.li According to Liechtenstein legislation the Princely Court in Vaduz is competent to carry out requests for Mutual Legal Assistance.
If different from the Central Authority, the authority to which the request should be sent (name of the institution, address, telephone, fax and e-mail where available):	
Channels of communication for the request for mutual legal assistance (directly, through diplomatic channels or other):	see Article 15 of the European Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters
Means of communication (e.g. by post, fax, e-mail <sup>1</sup> ):	Liechtenstein authorities accept any means of communication that are capable of producing written records and allow to establish the authenticity of the document.
Language requirements:	Requests for Mutual Legal Assistance and the relevant documents have to be accompanied by a translation into German language.
Double criminality requirement, if applicable:	Search and seizure of property are subject to the requirement of double criminality (see the Liechtenstein reservation to Article 5 of the CoE Convention on Mutual Legal Assistance). In principle, the execution of all requests that require coercive measures is subject to the requirement of double criminality.

<sup>1</sup> Please indicate if encryption or electronic signature is required.

Limitation of use of evidence obtained:	Restrictions on use of evidence may be required in particular cases.
Other particularly relevant information (e.g. documentation required for special types of assistance):	In cases of coercive measures of search and seizure, bank information, information about bank transactions, freezing of a bank account an order issued by a court of the requesting State has to be attached. If the provisions of this State do not foresee a court order for such measures the requesting authority has to indicate that the internal legal requirements for the measure sought are met according to the legislation of the requesting State.
Links to national legislation, national guides on procedure:	<p>Liechtenstein legislation is available at <a href="http://www.gesetze.li">www.gesetze.li</a></p> <p>The main national legislation is contained in the Law of 15 September 2000 on International Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters (Legal Assistance Law, RHG) that applies to all cases with non-Member States of the European Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters.</p>
Parties to the Second Additional Protocol: Link to database with contact details of competent authorities for the purpose of direct transmission of MLA requests	<p>Though Liechtenstein is not yet a Party to the Second Additional Protocol in case of urgency a direct transmission of MLA requests to the competent Princely Court is possible according to Article 15 of the Convention. The contact details are:</p> <p>Princely Court Spaniagasse 1 9490 Vaduz Tel. +423/236-7159 Fax: +423 236-6569 <a href="http://www.gerichte.li">www.gerichte.li</a></p>