



European Convention on State Immunity

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Annex

The grounds of jurisdiction referred to in paragraph 3, sub-paragraph a, of Article 20, paragraph 2 of Article 24 and paragraph 3, sub-paragraph b, of Article 25 are the following:

- a the presence in the territory of the State of the forum of property belonging to the defendant, or the seizure by the plaintiff of property situated there, unless:
 - the action is brought to assert proprietary or possessory rights in that property, or arises from another issue relating to such property; or
 - the property constitutes the security for a debt which is the subject-matter of the action;
- b the nationality of the plaintiff;
- c the domicile, habitual residence or ordinary residence of the plaintiff within the territory of the State of the forum unless the assumption of jurisdiction on such a ground is permitted by way of an exception made on account of the particular subject-matter of a class of contracts;
- d the fact that the defendant carried on business within the territory of the State of the forum, unless the action arises from that business;
- e a unilateral specification of the forum by the plaintiff, particularly in an invoice.

A legal person shall be considered to have its domicile or habitual residence where it has its seat, registered office or principal place of business.