

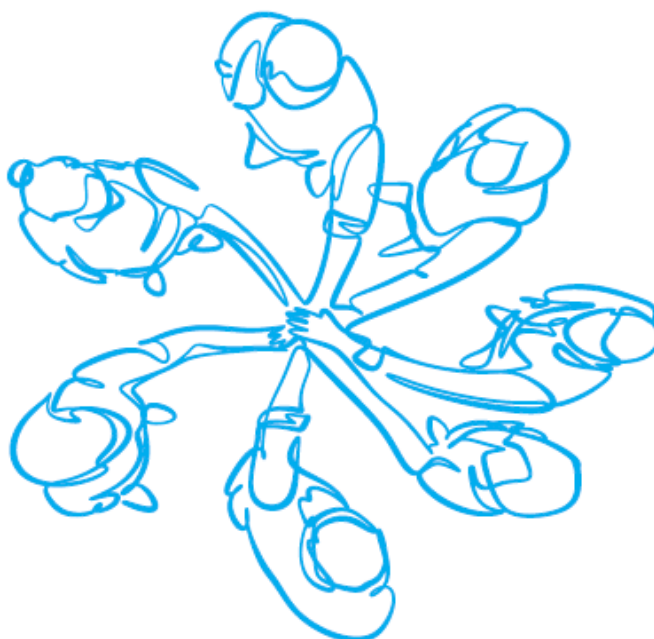
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EUROPEAN COMMITTEE ON LEGAL CO-OPERATION (CDCJ)

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**Celebration of the
60th Anniversary**

Strasbourg, 30 May 2023
Council of Europe
Palais de l'Europe, Room 10

Programme

9:30 **Opening Session**

Introduced by Mr Daniele Cangemi, Head of the Department for Human Rights, Justice and Legal Co-operation standard-setting activities, Directorate of Human Rights, Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law, Council of Europe

- Mr Bjørn Berge, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe
- Mr Christoph Henrichs, Chair of the European Committee on Legal Co-operation (CDCJ) of the Council of Europe
- Ambassador Petr Válek, Chair of the Committee of Ministers' Rapporteur Group on Legal Co-operation (GR-J) of the Council of Europe

10:00 **Session I - Looking back at achievements of the CDCJ in public and private law over the last 60 years**

Moderator: Ms Margaret Killerby, former Secretary to the CDCJ and retired Director of Co-operation for Human Rights and Legal Affairs of the Council of Europe

Safeguarding judicial independence and the rule of law

- Mr Eberhard Desch, former member and Chair of the CDCJ and retired Head of International Law Division at the Federal Ministry of Justice of Germany

Contributing to a more transparent and democratic society in the public and private law fields

- Mr Miloš Haťapka, former member and Chair of the CDCJ, Counsellor for Civil Law at the Permanent Representation of the Slovak Republic to the European Union
- Ms Zuzana Fišerová, member and former Chair of the CDCJ, Deputy Minister International and EU co-operation, Ministry of Justice of the Czech Republic

Advancing family law standards and the rights of the child

- Professor Inge Lorange Backer, former member and Chair the CDCJ, retired Director General of the Legislation Department at the Ministry of Justice of Norway, Professor emeritus at the University of Oslo, Institute for public law

Questions & Answers

11:00

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Coffee break

11:20

11:20 Session II - Strengthening legal co-operation to meet challenges ahead

Moderator: Ms Signe Öhman, member of the CDCJ

Towards an instrument for the protection of lawyers

- Ms Vaida Rudėnaitė, member of the Council of Europe Committee of Experts on the Protection of Lawyers (CJ-AV), Lithuania
- Mr Laurent Pettiti, Lawyer at the Paris Bar, President of the Delegation of the French Bars in Brussels, Chair of the “European Convention” Working Group of the Council of Bars and Law Societies of Europe (CCBE)

Impact of artificial intelligence and new technologies in the context of public administration

- Mr Abderrazzak Afkyr, member of the CDCJ, Coordinating adviser, International Affairs and Projects, Directorate for European and International Affairs (DEIA), Ministry of Justice and Security (The Netherlands)

Adapting family law and the rights of the child to our modern societies

- Mr Seamus Carroll, former member and Chair of the CDCJ, former Chair of the Council of Europe Committee of Experts on the Rights and the Best Interests of the Child in Parental Separation and in Care Proceedings (CJ/ENF-ISE), retired Principal Officer, Civil Justice and Equality/Legislation, Department of Justice and Equality of Ireland
- Ms Velina Todorova, member and Vice-Chair of the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child

Questions & Answers

12:30 Closing Session

Concluding remarks by Mr Christophe Poirel, Director of Human Rights of the Council of Europe

12:45 Family Photo (Ante-room of the Committee of Ministers)

13:00 Lunch (upon invitation)
