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Public online event on

The impact of the Lanzarote Convention on case-law, decisions and legislation

Monday 4 October 2021, 2.00 – 5.00 p.m. (Strasbourg time)

Programme

2.00 p.m.: Opening

- Ms Christel De Craim, Chairperson of the Lanzarote Committee

2.15 p.m.: Keynote speech

- Mr Robert Spano, President of the European Court of Human Rights

Recent development in the case-law of the European Court of Human Rights on child sexual exploitation and abuse

Q&A

3.00 p.m.: Impact of the Lanzarote Convention on the caselaw and decisions of international bodies

- **Pr Liora Lazarus, Professor in Law, Peter A. Allard School of Law, University of British Columbia, Canada and Supernumerary Fellow of St. Anne's College, Oxford, United Kingdom**
Impact on the caselaw of the Court of Justice of the European Union
- **Pr Aoife Nolan, Member of the European Committee of Social Rights**
The work of the European Committee of Social Rights and child sexual exploitation and abuse
- **Mr Bragi Guðbrandsson, Member of the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC)**
Impact on the decisions of the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC)

Q&A

4.00 p.m.: Impact of the Lanzarote Convention at national level

- **Ms Susanna Greijer, Independent expert on the protection of children from violence**
An example of impact on the caselaw of national courts: Norway
- **Pr Salomé Adroher Biosca, Comillas Pontifical University of Madrid, Spain** An example of impact on national legislation: Spain

Q&A

4.45 p.m.: Closing remarks

- **Ms Christel De Craim, Chairperson of the Lanzarote Committee**

The Convention for the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (the Lanzarote Convention) entered into force on 1 July 2010. The Committee of the Parties which monitors its implementation (the Lanzarote Committee) met for the first time ten years ago.

It therefore seems timely to take stock of the impact of the Lanzarote Convention on case law, decisions and legislation. This is why the Children's Rights Division of the Council of Europe is pleased to organise a livestream webinar on the impact of the Lanzarote Convention on case-law, decisions, and national legislation.

After an opening statement by the Chairperson of the Lanzarote Committee who will recall the essential characteristics of the Convention and outline the main strands of work of the Committee, the President of the European Court of Human Rights, Mr Robert Spano, will present how the Court has referred to the Convention and its interpretation by the Lanzarote Committee when examining allegations of breaches of the ECHR.

The online awareness raising event will then be divided into two main axes. The first will focus on the impact of the Lanzarote Convention on the case law and decisions of international bodies, such as the Court of Justice of the European Union, the European Committee of Social Rights and the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child. The second will address the impact of the Lanzarote Convention at national level, with examples drawn from case law (from Norway) and legislation (in Spain).

The webinar will take place on Monday 4 October 2021, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Strasbourg time) and will be broadcasted live [on the internet](#).