

## Council on General Affairs and Policy (CGAP)

5-8 March 2024

9.30 a.m. – 6.00 p.m. (CET)

**DRAFT AGENDA (25/01/24)**

*The draft agenda will be treated with some flexibility  
and may need to be modified in the light of ongoing discussions.*

Tuesday 5 March 2024	
Time	Item
9.30 a.m.	<b>I. Opening</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Remarks from the Chair</li><li>2. Adoption of the Agenda</li><li>3. Practical announcements</li><li>4. The Year in Review, by the Secretary General</li></ol>
	<b>II. Work relating to possible new legislative instruments</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Parentage / Surrogacy <i>Prel. Doc. No 1</i></li></ol>
11.15 a.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.45 a.m.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>2. Jurisdiction <i>Prel. Doc. No 2</i></li><li>3. Digital Assets and Tokens <i>Prel. Doc. No 3</i></li></ol>
1.00 p.m.	<i>Lunch break</i>
2.30 p.m.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>4. Central Bank Digital Currencies (CBDCs) <i>Prel. Doc. No 4</i></li><li>5. Digital Economy <i>Prel. Doc. No 5A</i></li><li>6. Digital Tokens <i>Prel. Doc. No 5B</i></li></ol>

	<p>7. Restructuring and Insolvency <i>Prel. Doc. No 6</i></p> <p>8. Intellectual Property <i>Oral update</i></p> <p>9. Carbon Markets <i>Prel. Doc. No 7</i></p> <p>10. New Proposals (if any)</p>
	<p><b>III. Post-Convention work</b></p> <p><b>1. International Family &amp; Child Protection Law</b></p> <p>a. 1980 Child Abduction and 1996 Child Protection Conventions (report of 2023 SC meeting; proposed endorsement by CGAP of the C&amp;R adopted by the SC) <i>Prel. Doc. No 9</i></p>
4.00 p.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>
4.30 p.m.	<p>b. The “Malta Process”, incl. the Working Party on Mediation <i>Oral update</i></p> <p>c. Forum on Domestic Violence and the operation of Article 13(1)(b) of the 1980 Child Abduction Convention <i>Oral update</i></p> <p>d. 1993 Adoption Convention <i>Prel. Docs Nos 8A, 8B</i></p> <p>e. 1996 Child Protection Convention <i>Prel. Doc. No 10</i></p> <p>f. 2007 Child Support Convention (incl. iSupport) and its Protocol <i>Prel. Docs Nos 11A, 11B, 11C, 11D</i></p> <p>g. 2000 Protection of Adults Convention <i>Oral update</i></p> <p>h. International Hague Network of Judges <i>Oral update</i></p>
6.30 p.m.	<i>Secretary General’s Reception in the foyer of the Academy building</i>

Wednesday 6 March 2024	
Time	Item
9.30 a.m.	<p><b>III. Post-Convention work (cont.)</b></p> <p><b>2. Transnational Litigation &amp; Apostille</b></p> <p>a. Transnational Litigation Conventions <i>Prel. Docs Nos 12A, 12B</i></p> <p>b. 1961 Apostille Convention (incl. e-APP) <i>Prel. Doc. No 13 REV</i></p> <p>c. Tourists and Visitors Project (ODR) <i>Prel. Doc. No 14</i></p>

11.00 a.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>
12.00 p.m.	<i>Ceremony for signatures of HCCH Conventions and deposits of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval, or accession.</i>
1.00 p.m.	<i>Lunch break</i>
2.30 p.m.	<p>3. International Commercial, Digital &amp; Financial Law</p> <p>a. 2006 Securities Convention and digital developments in respect of securities markets <i>Prel. Doc. No 15A</i></p> <p>b. 1985 Trusts Convention <i>Prel. Doc. No 15B</i></p> <p>c. 2015 Choice of Law Principles <i>Oral update</i></p>
4.00 p.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>
4.30 p.m.	<p>4. Electronic Country Profiles for key HCCH Conventions <i>Prel. Doc. No 16</i></p> <p>5. Collection of Statistical Data <i>Prel. Doc. No 17</i></p> <p>6. Post-Convention assistance <i>Prel. Doc. No 18</i></p> <p>7. Accessibility of HCCH documents and of the HCCH website for persons with disabilities <i>Prel. Doc. No 19</i></p> <p><b>IV. ROAP and ROLAC: Reports</b> <i>Prel. Doc. No 21</i></p> <p><b>V. Cooperation between UNCITRAL, UNIDROIT, and the HCCH</b> <i>Prel. Doc. No 20 &amp; Info. Doc. No 1</i></p>
6.00 p.m.	<i>End of Session</i>

<b>Thursday 7 March 2024 – <i>Members Only</i></b>	
Time	Item
9.30 a.m.	<p><b>VI. Governance</b></p> <p>1. List of Observers <i>Prel. Doc. No 22</i></p> <p>2. Update on the Introduction of Spanish at the HCCH <i>Prel. Doc. No 23</i></p> <p>3. Recommendations for future SG Recruitment Processes <i>Prel. Doc. No 28</i></p>
11.00 a.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>

11.30 a.m.	<p>4. Financial Matters</p> <p>a. Draft Budget FY 2024-2025 <i>Prel. Doc. No 24</i></p> <p>b. Voluntary Contributions <i>Prel. Doc. No 25</i></p>
1.00 p.m.	<i>Lunch break – Informal Budget Meeting</i>
2.30 p.m.	<p>c. Determining Member States' Assessed Contributions (Universal Postal Union; funding of the Organisation) <i>Oral update</i></p> <p>d. Update on rental contract for PB office space <i>Oral update (see para. 16 of Draft Budget 1, January 2024)</i></p> <p>e. Update on envisaged changes to pension schemes contributions <i>Oral update</i></p>
4.00 p.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>
4.30 p.m.	<p>5. Representation &amp; Inclusiveness at the HCCH <i>Prel. Doc. No 26</i></p> <p>6. Resource Allocation <i>Prel. Doc. No 27</i></p>

<b>Friday 8 March 2024</b>	
<b>Time</b>	<b>Item</b>
9.30 a.m.	<b>VII. Conclusions &amp; Decisions</b>
11.00 a.m.	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 a.m.	<b>VII. Conclusions &amp; Decisions (cont.)</b>
1.00 p.m.	<i>End of meeting</i>