

2 DECEMBER 2020 | ONLINE CONFERENCE | AGENDA

HCCH a|Bridged: Innovation in Cross-Border Litigation and Civil Procedure

Edition 2020: Golden Anniversary of the HCCH 1970 Evidence Convention

14:15 CET **Welcome Note and Practical Information on the Meeting**



Dr João Ribeiro-Bidaoui
First Secretary, HCCH



Dr Anna-Julka Lilja
Legal Officer at the Federal Ministry of Justice and Consumer Protection, Germany

14:25 CET **Opening Remarks**



Dr Margaretha Sudhof
State Secretary at the Federal Ministry of Justice and Consumer Protection, Germany

14:30 CET **Word by the Hague Conference on Private International Law (HCCH)**



Dr Christophe Bernasconi
Secretary General, HCCH

14:40 CET **50 years of the HCCH Evidence Convention
Facilitating Cross-Border Proceedings**



Professor Dr Michael Stürner
Professor, Universität Konstanz and Judge, Higher Regional Court, Karlsruhe

Break

15:10 CET **Effective Taking of Evidence under Chapter I of the Convention: A Requesting State's Perspective**



Convenor: Ms Kerstin Empt

Judge, Higher Regional Court of Cologne, Germany



Ms Colleen McMahon

Chief Judge, U.S. District Court, Southern District New York, United States of America



Dr Marcelo De Nardi

Federal Judge, Federal Court of First Instance of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil



Ms Haerang Lee

Judge, Suwon District Court, Republic of Korea

Break

16:20 CET **A(bridged) Presentation**
Showcasing the Guide to Good Practice on the Use of Video-Link under the Evidence Convention



Ms Elizabeth Zorrilla

Legal Officer, HCCH

16:30 CET **Effective Taking of Evidence under Chapter II of the Convention: Challenges and Opportunities for Cross-Border Proceedings**



Convenor: Mr Alexander Blumrosen

Partner, Polaris Law



Ms Nicola Engels

Judge, Higher Regional Court of Düsseldorf, Central Authority for North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany



Ms Noëlle Lenoir

Avocate à la Cour, Partner, Attorney at law, Noëlle Lenoir Avocats, France



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Ms Paula Pott
Judge, Court of Appeal, Lisbon, Portugal



Mr Michael Baylson,
Judge, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, United States of America

17:30 CET **Closing Remarks**



Ms Ruth Schröder
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Dr João Ribeiro-Bidaoui
First Secretary, HCCH

17:40 CET **End of Transmission**