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CARIBBEAN MEETING ON INTERNATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION  
IMPLEMENTING AND OPERATING THE HAGUE CHILD PROTECTION  
CONVENTIONS

*18 – 19 October 2018, Courtyard Marriott Hotel, Kingston, Jamaica*

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## Agenda

OCTOBER 18, 2018

- 8:00 – 8:30 a.m. Registration
- 8:35 – 9:15 a.m. **Opening Session**
- 9:15 – 9:45 a.m. Coffee Break
- 9:45 – 10:30 a.m. **Child Abduction Convention – Introduction**, Anne Marie Hutchinson, OBE QC (Hon), Reunite International Child Abduction Centre, UK.  
Q & A
- 10:30 – 11:00 a.m. **The role of the Central Authority**, Ravita N. Babwah, Ministry of the Attorney General and Legal Affairs C.A., Trinidad & Tobago  
Q & A
- 11:00 - 11:15 a.m. Coffee Break
- 11:15 - 12:00 p.m. **The role of the Competent Judge**, Justice Victoria Bennet, Family Court of Australia (IHNJ) / Justice Allyson Ramkerrysingh, Family Court of Trinidad and Tobago (IHNJ)  
Q & A
- 12:00 - 1:15 p.m. Lunch Break
- 1:15 – 2:30 p.m. **The role of the Hague Network Judge – DJCs**, Justice Victoria Bennet, Family Court of Australia (IHNJ) / Justice Allyson Ramkerrysingh, Family Court of Trinidad and Tobago (IHNJ)  
Q & A
- 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. **Panel on challenging aspects in the operation of the Convention. Exchange of experiences between contracting States.** Mrs. Maxine Bagalue, Adoption Services Coordinator / Head of the Jamaica Central Authority with the Child Protection and Family Services Agency; Erika R. Slaughter, Caribbean Branch Chief, US Central Authority. Moderator: Ignacio Goicoechea, Representative HCCH.
- 4:00 – 4:20 p.m. Coffee Break
- 4:20 – 5:30 p.m. **Hypothetical cases to address: habitual residence, grave risk exception, voice of the child, safe return arrangements and enforcement or return orders.**
- 7:00 p.m. **Delegate reception**



OCTOBER 19, 2018

- 8:00 – 8:30 a.m. Registration Day 2
- 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. **Final wrap up first day on international child abduction**, Justice Lorna Shelly-Williams, Supreme Court of Jamaica (IHNJ)/ Justice Laurence I. O'neil, Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, Canada (IHNJ)
- 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. **International Family Mediation – Central Contact Points**, Alison Shalaby, Chief Executive, Reunite International Child Abduction Centre, UK / Mrs. Nichole Chambers, Legal Officer within the Child Protection & Family Services Agency, Jamaica
- 10:30 – 11:00 a.m. Coffee Break
- 11:00 - 12:00p.m. **1993 Intercountry Adoption Convention**, Marie Riendau, Department of Justice Canada / Prof. Rose Cameron, University of West Indies Jamaica.
- 12:00 – 1:15 p.m. Lunch Break
- 1:15 – 2:30 p.m. **1996 International Child Protection Convention**, Justice Victoria Bennet, Family Court of Australia (IHNJ) / Devone Lawrence, Official Solicitors Office, Ministry of Justice UK
- 2:30 – 3:00 p.m. Afternoon Tea
- 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. **2007 Child Support Convention**, Ignacio Goicoechea, Representative HCCH / Prof. Rose Cameron, University of West Indies Jamaica
- 4:00 p.m. **Closing**