



HCCH|APPROACH ESSAY COMPETITION

To celebrate the 25th anniversary of the HCCH 1996 Child Protection Convention, the Hague Conference on Private International Law (HCCH) is organising the inaugural HCCH **A**dvancing and **P**romoting the **P**rotection of **A**ll **C**hildren (HCCH|Approach) Event on 19 October 2021. Leading up to the HCCH|Approach Event, the HCCH is pleased to announce the HCCH|Approach Essay Competition.

Celebrating 25 years of the HCCH 1996 Child Protection Convention

ESSAY

Entrants are invited to author an essay in English between 1,500-2,000 words (excluding footnotes and references) examining **any legal issue within the scope of the HCCH 1996 Child Protection Convention**.

Essay submissions must be the entrant's original work. Previously published works will not be considered. Submissions should be emailed in PDF format to secretariat@hccch.net with "HCCH|Approach Essay Competition" in the subject field.

Deadline: **5:00 p.m. (CEST) 1 October 2021**

The top three finalists will be notified by 8 October 2021, and will present their winning entry in a pre-recorded 10-minute presentation which will be streamed live during the international HCCH|Approach Event on 19 October 2021.

ELIGIBILITY

The inaugural HCCH|Approach Essay Competition is open to all legal professionals, law students, and law academics or researchers under the age of 35 (as at 19 October 2021).

PRIZES

First Prize: € 1,000

Second Prize: € 500

Third Prize: € 250

Prize winners will be offered the opportunity to publish their winning entries.

