



NOTICE

Under the framework of the *Convention of 5 October 1961 Abolishing the Requirement of Legalisation for Foreign Public Documents* (Apostille Convention), validly issued electronic Apostilles (e-Apostilles) must be recognised and accepted by all Contracting Parties.

An e-Apostille is an official Apostille issued in digital form. It is created and signed electronically and linked to a secure digital certificate. An e-Apostille cannot be refused simply because it is issued in electronic form.

The same rules and procedures apply to the issuance of an e-Apostille as to the issuance of a paper Apostille. Accordingly, the failure to accept validly issued e-Apostilles constitutes a violation of the Apostille Convention, irrespective of whether the State of destination itself has implemented and issues e-Apostilles.

Additional information about the e-Apostille and the associated e-Register can be found here:



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