

Conference on International Child Abduction and Human Rights, 16 October

The University of Antwerp (Research Group Personal Rights and Real Rights) and the British Institute of International and Comparative Law are organising a conference on **International Child Abduction and Human Rights: A Critical Assessment of the Status Quo**.

The conference will take place in **Antwerp** – Stadscampus – R.212 – Rodestraat- on **16 October 2014**.

Register through <http://www.biicl.org/event/1061>

Programme:

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| 10.00-10.30 | Registration and coffee |
| 10.30-10.45 | Welcome (Thalia Kruger and Eva Lein) |
| Chair: Maarit Jänterä-Jareborg, Uppsala University | |
| 10.45-11.45 | Panel on recent case law (Karin Verbist and Carolina Marín Pedreño) |
| 11.45-12.15 | United States Supreme Court
Hague Abduction Decisions: Developing a Global Jurisprudence
(Linda Silberman) |
| 12.15-12.45 | The Role of Central Authorities
(Andrea Schulz) |
| 12.45-14.00 | Lunch?? |

Chair: Frederik Swennen, University of Antwerp

- 14.00-14.30 Keynote Address, Permanent Bureau of the Hague Conference: "Quo vadis 1980 Convention" (Marta Pertegas)
- 14.30-15.00 Keynote Address, European Commission: "Quo vadis Brussels IIbis"?(Michael Wilderspin)
- 15.00-15.30 Children's Rights and Children's Interests: (Helen Stalford)
- 15.30-16.00 Is Harmonised Case Law Possible? (Paul Beaumont)
- 16.00-16.30 The Concerns of Children's Organisations: (Hilde Demarré and Alison Shalaby)
- 16.30-17.00 Debate