

# HCCH Monthly Update: November 2020

## Conventions & Instruments

On 2 November 2020, **Jamaica** deposited its instrument of accession to the **HCCH 1961 Apostille Convention**. It now has 119 Contracting Parties and will enter into force for Jamaica on 3 July 2021. More information is available [here](#).

On 4 November, the Permanent Bureau was informed that on 26 October 2020, **Saint Kitts & Nevis** deposited its instrument of accession to the **HCCH 1993 Adoption Convention**. It now has 103 Contracting Parties and will enter into force for Saint Kitts & Nevis on 1 February 2021. More information is available [here](#).

## Meetings & Events

From 12 to 13 November 2020, the HCCH, together with the UNIDROIT and UNCITRAL, co-hosted the **2020 International Conference of the Judicial Policy Research Institute** (Rep. of Korea) on International Commercial Litigation. A full recording of the event is available [here](#).

From 16 to 19 November 2020, the **Experts' Group on Jurisdiction** met for the fourth time, via videoconference. The meeting focused on the elements to be included on a possible future instrument on direct jurisdiction and parallel proceedings. More information is available [here](#).

Following last month's **Roundtable on the 2019 Judgments Convention** co-hosted by the HCCH and the University of Bonn (a pre-cursor to the September 2021 Conference), a full recording of the event is available [here](#).

## Publications & Documentation

On 24 November 2020, the Permanent Bureau launched the post-event publication of the inaugural edition of *HCCH a|Bridged*, of which the focus was the *Service Convention in the Era of Electronic and Information Technology*. The

publication is now available for download in English only. More information is available [here](#).

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