

# **The Organization of American States is launching a weekly virtual forum “Inter-American law in times of pandemic” and the Hague Conference has published a COVID-19 Toolkit**

The Organization of American States (OAS) has announced that it is launching a weekly virtual forum entitled “Inter-American law in times of pandemic”. It begins on Monday 11 May at 11:00 am (EDT, local time in Washington, D.C.). The first session “Challenges to Inter-American Law” will be held in Spanish, with no simultaneous interpretation. Registration is free but space is limited. The agenda is available [here](#).

As announced, “the topics to be discussed in relation to the impact of the pandemic in the Americas will include: the challenges to Inter-American law; the importance of access to public information; protection of privacy and personal data; the fight against corruption; legal cooperation against cyber-crime; food security as a specific challenge; the difficulties for private international law; among others.”

The list of virtual fora is available [here](#). On Monday 29 June 2020, a forum will be held on “New Challenges for Private International Law.” Apparently, the sessions will be recorded and will be available on video later on the OAS website.

In addition, the Hague Conference on Private International Law (HCCH) has published a COVID-19 Toolkit, which is available in both English and French.