

# HCCH Monthly Update: August 2021

## Conventions & Instruments

On 23 July 2021, **New Zealand** deposited its instrument of ratification of the **HCCH 2007 Child Support Convention**. With the ratification of New Zealand, 42 states and the European Union are bound by the Child Support Convention. It will enter into force for New Zealand on 1 November 2021. More information is available [here](#).

On 1 August 2021, the **HCCH 1996 Child Protection Convention** entered into force for **Costa Rica**. It currently has 53 Contracting Parties. More information is available [here](#).

## Meetings & Events

As announced on 3 August 2021, registration for the **12th International Forum on the electronic Apostille Programme (e-APP)** is now open to the general public. The event will be hosted online on 4 October 2021. The deadline for registration is Friday, 10 September 2021, 5.00 p.m. CEST. More information is available [here](#).

On 9 August 2021, the HCCH and the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights of the Organization of American States co-hosted a **webinar on international child abduction**.

On 19 August 2021, the HCCH, the Council of ASEAN Chief Justices and the Malaysian Judiciary co-hosted a virtual **HCCH-ASEAN Masterclass**. More information is available [here](#).

## Other

**Vacancy:** Applications are now open for three- to six-month legal internships from January to June 2022. The deadline for the submission of applications is 24 September 2021 (18:00 CEST). More information is available [here](#).

**Reminder:** Submissions for the HCCH|Approach Essay Competition and the

HCCH|Approach Media and Design Competition are due on 1 October 2021. The competitions are organised as part of the Advancing and Promoting the Protection of All Children (Approach) Initiative, launched in celebration of the 25th anniversary of the HCCH 1996 Child Protection Convention. More information is available [here](#).

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