

EU Consultation on Protection of Vulnerable Adults

In December 2021, the European Commission launched a public consultation on the cross-border protection of vulnerable adults. Feedback obtained will be used to assess the need for a legislative initiative in the area, as well as to inform possible EU measures.

As a result of the combined effects of an ageing population and the mobility of citizens, more and more vulnerable adults find themselves in cross-border situations. The existence of different rules between EU Member States, as well as judicial, administrative and language barriers may affect the continuity and effectiveness of their legal protection.

*All interested parties (citizens, judges, court staff, legal practitioners, academic, officials, medical staff, social workers, etc.) are invited to submit responses **by 29 March 2022** (midnight Brussels time). The short questionnaire is available in all EU languages at the following link: [Civil judicial cooperation - EU-wide protection for vulnerable adults \(europa.eu\)](#).*

*A call for evidence to share relevant experience in the area of cross-border protection of vulnerable adults is also open, with the same deadline of **29 March 2022** (midnight Brussels time). The call for evidence is available here: [Civil judicial cooperation - EU-wide protection for vulnerable adults \(europa.eu\)](#).*