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Conventions & Instruments

On 1 November 2022, the **2000 Protection of Adults Convention** entered into force for **Greece**. The Convention currently has 14 Contracting Parties. More information is available here.

On 11 November 2022, **Malta** signed the **2000 Protection of Adults Convention**, during the first meeting of the Special Commission on the Practical Operation of the Convention. The Convention will enter into force for Malta further to the deposit of its instrument of ratification, in accordance with Article 53 of the Convention. More information is available here.

On 14 November 2022, **Botswana** deposited its instrument of accession to the **1980 Child Abduction Convention, 1993 Adoption Convention, and 2007 Child Support Convention**. With the accession of Botswana, the Child Abduction Convention now has 103 Contracting Parties. It will enter into force for Botswana on 1 February 2023. For the Adoption Convention, with the accession of Botswana it now has 105 Contracting Parties. The Convention will enter into force for Botswana on 1 March 2023. Finally, following the accession of Botswana 45 States and the European Union are bound by the Child Support Convention. It will enter into force for Botswana on 16 November 2023. More information is available here.

Meetings & Events

On 8 November 2022, the HCCH's Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific hosted the workshop **"HCCH Conventions Supporting Transnational Litigation in Civil or Commercial Matters"**, in partnership with the Department of Justice of the Government of the Hong Kong SAR. The workshop was held during Hong Kong Legal Week 2022, in celebration of the tenth Anniversary of the Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific. More information is available here.

From 9 to 11 November 2022, the **First Meeting of the Special Commission on the Practical Operation of the 2000 Protection of Adults Convention** was held in The Hague, attended by over 100 participants, in person and via videoconference, representing Contracting Parties, HCCH Members, and Observers. The meeting resulted in the adoption of over 70 Conclusions & Recommendations, which provide guidance to (prospective) Contracting Parties on a wide range of issues relating to the implementation and practical operation of this Convention. More information is available here.

Vacancies

Applications are now open for the position of **Head of Human Resources (parttime, 75% or less)**. The deadline for the submission of applications is **9 December 2022**. More information is available here.

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