

# **With EU, Ukraine joining, the 2019 Hague Judgments Convention will enter into force on 1 September 2023**

Just about a month ago, as previously reported, the EU formally decided to accede to the 2019 Hague Judgments Convention - a decision that has now been implemented by depositing the instrument of accession with the Convention's Depositary, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands. At the same time, Ukraine has deposited its instrument of ratification, thus becoming the second contracting party.

As per its Article 28(1), the Convention will enter into force on 1 September 2023 for all EU Member States (except Denmark) and Ukraine.

The Convention currently has five additional signatories: Costa Rica, Israel, the United States of America, Uruguay, and, somewhat delicately, the Russian Federation.