

# **GEDIP Position paper on Parenthood**

The European Group for Private International Law (GEDIP) has recently adopted a Position paper on the Proposal for a Council Regulation in matters of Parenthood.

The Group welcomes the EU's intention to legislate in this field, since parenthood is a status from which persons derive numerous rights and obligations. However, the Group is of the opinion that there are important shortcomings in the Proposal due to the narrow perspective taken and an insufficient consideration of the legal complexities concerning parenthood in cross-border situations. It therefore encourages a reconsideration of the Proposal in the light of its observations.