

# HCCH Monthly Update: May 2024

## Conventions & Instruments

On 14 May 2024, **Georgia** deposited its instrument of ratification of the **2007 Child Support Convention** and of the **2007 Maintenance Obligations Protocol**. With the ratification of Georgia, 51 States and the European Union are bound by the 2007 Child Support Convention, while 32 States and the European Union are bound by the 2007 Maintenance Obligations Protocol. More information is available [here](#).

## Meetings & Events

On 14 May 2024, the kick-off meeting of the **Experts' Group (EG) on Central Bank Digital Currencies (CBDCs)** was held online. Pursuant to its mandate, the EG will study the applicable law and jurisdiction issues raised by the cross-border use and transfers of CBDCs. More information is available [here](#).

From 14 to 17 May 2024, the **First Regional Meeting of Judges of the International Hague Network of Judges (IHNJ) from Latin America and the Caribbean** was held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, with the aim of fostering discussion on the proper and effective implementation of the **1980 Child Abduction Convention**. More information is available [here](#).

On 15 May 2024, the kick-off meeting of the **Digital Tokens Project** was held online. Under this project, the Permanent Bureau of the HCCH, in partnership with relevant subject-matter experts and Observers, is studying the private international law issues relating to digital tokens. More information is available [here](#).

On 17 and 21 May 2024, the first meetings of the **Working Groups on the Practical Handbooks and Country Profiles for the 1965 Service and 1970 Convention** were held online. More information is available [here](#).

On 29 May 2024, the first meeting of the **Working Group established to complete the Country Profile and work on the draft Cooperation Request Recommended Model Form for the 1996 Child Protection Convention** was

held online. More information is available [here](#).

## **Calls for Tender**

The HCCH recently published a call for tenders for the development of electronic Country Profiles (e-Country Profiles) for a number of key HCCH Conventions. The deadline for the submission of tenders is 27 August 2024 (17:00 CEST). More information is available [here](#).

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