

HCCH Monthly Update: September 2024

Conventions & Instruments

On 1 September 2024, the **2007 Child Support Convention** and the **2007 Maintenance Obligations Protocol** entered into force for **Georgia**. At present, 51 States and the European Union are bound by the 2007 Child Support Convention, while 33 States and the European Union are bound by the 2007 Maintenance Obligations Protocol. More information is available [here](#).

On 10 September 2024, **El Salvador** deposited its instrument of accession to the **1996 Child Protection Convention**. With the accession of El Salvador, the 1996 Child Protection Convention now has 55 Contracting Parties. It will enter into force for El Salvador on 1 July 2025. More information is available [here](#).

On 12 September 2024, **Albania** signed the **2019 Judgments Convention**. Currently, 30 HCCH Members are either bound by the Convention or a Contracting Party for which the Convention has not entered into force yet (United Kingdom and Uruguay). The 2019 Judgments Convention will enter into force for the Republic of Albania only after it deposits an instrument of ratification pursuant to Art. 28(2) of the Convention. More information is available [here](#).

On 18 September 2024, **Switzerland** deposited its instrument of accession to the **2005 Choice of Court Convention**. With the accession of Switzerland, 35 States and the European Union are bound by the 2005 Choice of Court Convention. It will enter into force for Switzerland on 1 January 2025. More information is available [here](#).

On 19 September 2024, **Kosovo** signed the **2005 Choice of Court and 2019 Judgments Conventions**. The Conventions will enter into force for Kosovo only after it deposits instruments of ratification pursuant to Art. 31(2) of the 2005 Choice of Court Convention and Art. 28(2) of the 2019 Judgments Convention. More information is available [here](#).

Upcoming Events

Registration is open until 7 October for participation in the **13th International Forum on the electronic Apostille Programme (e-APP)**, which will take place on 21 and 22 October 2024 in Astana, Kazakhstan. The Forum will provide a unique international platform for governments, organisations, and the private sector to learn more about the benefits of the e-APP, to promote its effective implementation, and to discuss the latest developments in relation to the e-APP worldwide. More information is available [here](#).

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