

# HCCH Monthly Update: January 2025

## Conventions & Instruments

On 1 January 2025, the **2005 Choice of Court Convention** entered into force for **Switzerland**. At present, 36 States and the European Union are bound by the 2005 Choice of Court Convention. More information is available [here](#).

On 12 January 2025, the **2007 Child Support Convention** entered into force for **Cabo Verde**. At present, 52 States and the European Union are bound by the 2007 Child Support Convention. More information is available [here](#).

## Meetings & Events

On 10 January 2025, representatives from **19 French-speaking African States**, along with a delegate from the *Organisation internationale de la Francophonie*, convened in Brussels for a **meeting focused on exploring the benefits of membership** in the HCCH and the Permanent Court of Arbitration. More information is available [here](#).

On 24 January 2025, the **Working Party on Cross-Border Family Mediation in the Context of the Malta Process** met online. During the meeting, participants discussed the future trajectory of the Working Party, taking into consideration the results of the questionnaire circulated in 2024 and the discussions held at the Malta V conference in October 2024. More information is available [here](#).

## Vacancies

Applications are now open for the position of **Administrative Assistant**. The deadline for the submission of applications is **22 February 2025**. More information is available [here](#).

Applications for a remote **Communications and Outreach Internship** will open

next week. More information will soon be available here.

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