

ELI-Webinar “Enhancing Child Protection” (Int’l Filiation Law)



As already announced in another post, there will be a Webinar organized by the European Law Institute (ELI) on March 12 to present and discuss the Project Report of the ELI Project “Enhancing Child Protection: Private International Law on Filiation and the European Commission’s Proposal COM/2022/695 final”

The webinar description reads:

“On 12 January 2026, ELI Fellows formally approved its Enhancing Child Protection: Private International Law on Filiation and the European Commission’s Proposal COM/2022/695 final.

This Report, developed under the leadership of Dr Ilaria Pretelli and Prof Dr Susanne Gössl, examines the above proposal and its critical role in advancing fundamental rights within the EU. While preserving the Commission’s Proposal’s core vision and framework, this analysis recommends strategic refinements that strengthen alignment with the existing EU acquis, foster deeper European integration, and enhance the protection of children’s fundamental rights. In addition, it expands upon the Proposal’s initial emphasis on the EU Strategies for children’s rights and LGBTIQ+ equality by incorporating a comprehensive women’s rights perspective.

ELI is hosting a webinar introducing and exploring key aspects of the Report on 12 March 2026 from 12:30–14:00 CET.

Confirmed speakers include:

- Pietro Sirena (ELI Treasurer; Dean and Professor at Università Bocconi)
- Ilaria Pretelli (Co-Reporter; Senior Fellow, Swiss Institute of Comparative Law)
- Susanne Gössl (Co-Reporter; Professor, University of Bonn)
- Elina Pekkarinen (Ombudsperson for Children in Finland, Past Chair of European Network of Ombudspersons for Children (ENOC))
- Alina Tryfonidou (Assistant Professor of EU Law and Family Law, University of Cyprus)”

More information, esp. the possibility to register and possible updates, can be found on this website.