



13th International Forum on the electronic Apostille Programme (e-APP)

21-22 October 2024

Maqsut Narikbayev University, Astana, Kazakhstan

DRAFT AGENDA

Please note that this draft agenda is not final yet and may be subject to further changes

Monday, 21 October 2024		
Astana	The Hague	<i>Participants attending in person are kindly invited to arrive 30 minutes prior to the start of the first session for registration</i>
Session 1		
14:00 – 15:45	11:00 – 12:45	Welcome & Opening Address Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Kazakhstan H.E. Mr Azamat Yeskarayev <i>Minister of Justice</i> Maqsut Narikbayev University, Kazakhstan Mr Segey Pen <i>Provost of the Maqsut Narikbayev University</i> Hague Conference on Private International Law (HCCH) Dr Christophe Bernasconi <i>Secretary General</i> The e-APP: an overview and global update HCCH - Permanent Bureau Ms Melissa Ford <i>Secretary (Diplomat Lawyer)</i> This introductory session will provide participants with a common understanding of the fundamental components of the e-APP, the broader context of the 1961 Apostille Convention, and key updates on implementation across the globe. Implementation of the e-APP: the experience of Kazakhstan Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Kazakhstan H.E. Mr Bekbolat Moldabekov <i>Vice-Minister of Justice</i> Ms Erlan Aigerim <i>Deputy Chairman, Ministry of Digital Development</i> This session will include a presentation from officials of Kazakhstan on the implementation and operation of the e-APP in Kazakhstan.

		Expert Panel I: The e-Register This panel will include presentations from Contracting Parties followed by a discussion on how the e-Register improves efficiency and provides certainty. Brazil Ms Ana Lucia Andrade de Aguiar <i>Federal Judge, Assistant Judge at the National Council of Justice</i> Mr Marcos De Paola <i>IT Director at the Notarial College of Brazil</i> Singapore Ms Melissa Goh <i>Director (Trust Services), Singapore Academy of Law</i> People's Republic of China Mr Yong Li <i>Counsellor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs</i> Moderator Ms Melissa Ford <i>Secretary, HCCH</i>
		Group photo
15:45 – 16:15	12:45 – 13:15	Break
Session 2		
16:15 – 17:45	13:15 – 14:45	e-APP implementation: the experience of the UK This session will include a presentation from the United Kingdom on the implementation and operation of the e-APP. Mr Danial Smith (online) <i>Digital and Change Manager Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office</i> Mr Michael Lightowler (online) <i>Notary Public</i> Technology design and the e-APP This session will include a presentation from the DONA Foundation on the integration of new technologies and the e-APP. The session includes an opportunity at the end for questions. Mr Christophe Blanchi <i>Executive Director, DONA Foundation</i>

		e-APP implementation: the experience of Kentucky (US) This session will include a presentation from Kentucky (US) on the implementation and operation of the e-APP. Mr Michael Wilson (online) <i>Director of Business Services & Deputy General Counsel for Kentucky Secretary of State Michael G. Adams</i> e-APP implementation: the experience of Montana (US) This session will include a presentation from Montana (US) on the implementation and operation of the e-APP. Ms Lori Hamm (online) <i>Notary & Certifications Administrator, Montana Secretary of State's Office</i>
End of day one		

Tuesday, 22 October 2024		
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Session 3		
09:30 – 11:00	06:30 – 08:00	The role of the Permanent Bureau in the implementation of the e-APP HCCH - Permanent Bureau Mr Caio Gomes de Freitas (online) <i>Legal Officer (Transnational Litigation & Apostille Division)</i> This introductory session will include a presentation on the resources available to Contracting Parties wishing to implement the e-APP, and the role played by the Permanent Bureau in facilitating this process. Expert Panel II: New implementers of the e-APP This session will include presentations from Contracting Parties who have recently implemented or are in the process of implementing one or both components of the e-APP. Kazakhstan Mr Ernur Dauenov <i>Chairman of the Committee for Quality Assurance in Education of the Ministry of Education of the Republic of Kazakhstan</i> Greece Mr Andreas Dimitriou (online) <i>Director of GOV.GR Coordination Agency, Ministry of Digital Governance</i> Philippines Mr Manuel Ayap <i>Foreign Service Officer, Department of Foreign Affairs</i>

		Singapore Mr Chng Ken-Wei <i>Deputy Director, Digital Utilities Program Office</i> Mr Joe Lim <i>Deputy Director (Project Management), LawNet Technology Services Pte Ltd</i> El Salvador H.E. Ms Cindy Mariella Portal (online) <i>Vice-Minister of Diaspora and Human Mobility of El Salvador</i> Moderator Ms Venera Kalimova <i>Director of the Department of Registration Services and Organization of Legal Services</i>
11:00 – 11:30	08:00 – 08:30	Break
Session 4		
11:30 – 13:00	08:30 – 10:00	Expert Panel III: Implementation, promotion, education This session will include a discussion with established implementers of the e-APP on the steps required to implement the e-APP, promotion and educational measures taken to increase the success of the e-APP. Brazil Ms Ana Lucia Andrade de Aguiar <i>Federal Judge, Assistant Judge at the National Council of Justice</i> Mr Marcos De Paola <i>IT Director at the Notarial College of Brazil</i> Belgium Ms Julie Remy Spiltoir <i>Attaché to the Directorate-General for Consular Affairs of the Federal Public Service Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation</i> Chile Mr Sergio Andrés Solis Soto <i>Head of the Legal Consular Advisory Department of the General Directorate of Consular Affairs, Immigration and Chileans Abroad, Ministry of Foreign Affairs</i> Ms Carmen Rosa Abarca Poblete <i>Department of Legalization, General Directorate of Consular Affairs, Immigration and Chileans Abroad, Ministry of Foreign Affairs</i> Israel Mr Itai Apter (online) <i>Director, International Civil Affairs, Office of the Deputy Attorney-General (International Law), Ministry of Justice</i> Moderator Mr Nurzhan Eshniyazov <i>Maqsut Narikbayev University</i>

13:00 – 14:30	10:00 – 11:30	Lunch break
Session 5		
14:30 – 16:00	11:30 – 13:00	Expert Panel IV: Emerging trends and vision for the future This session will include a discussion about the potential for the e-APP to offer solutions for e-Government and the digital future of doing business. <i>Kazakhstan</i> Mr Sagynysh Ussembek <i>Head of the Office of the Coordination of the Local Courts Work of the Judicial Administration of the Republic of Kazakhstan</i> <i>Korea (Republic of)</i> Mr Hyoung-Goo Kang <i>Professor at the Hanyang University</i> <i>Colombia</i> H.E. Mr Héctor Isidro Arenas Neira <i>Ambassador of Colombia to Russia</i> <i>@Gov</i> Mr Chris Jackson <i>CEO Co-Founder, Executive Offices</i> <i>Moderator</i> Dr Christophe Bernasconi <i>Secretary General</i> Wrap-up of the 13th International e-APP Forum <i>HCCH</i> Melissa Ford <i>Secretary, Permanent Bureau</i> <i>Kazakhstan</i> Ms Venera Kalimova <i>Director of the Department of Registration Services and Organization of Legal Services</i> Closing Address Dr Christophe Bernasconi <i>Secretary General, HCCH</i>