

The 40th Anniversary of the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction

WORKSHOP FOR THE COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AFFAIRS

16 November 2020, 14.15–15.45

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DRAFT PROGRAMME

14.15–14.30 Opening of the workshop by the JURI Chair **Adrián VÁZQUEZ LÁZARA**, MEP

Welcome words by **Ewa KOPACZ**, Vice-President & EP Coordinator on Children's Rights

14.30–15.05

Presentations by experts

Topics

Gérardine GOH ESCOLAR, Dr. iur.
*First Secretary
Permanent Bureau of the Hague Conference
on Private International Law (HCCH)*

***Hague Convention of 25 October 1980 on
the Civil Aspects of International Child
Abduction – recent developments,
current status and challenges***

Professor Marilyn FREEMAN, PhD
*Principal Research Fellow at the
Westminster Law School, University of
Westminster, London; Co-Director of the
International Centre for Family Law, Policy
and Practice*

***The child perspective in the context of the
1980 Hague Convention***

Adriana DE RUITER
*Lawyer, Chair of the Board of the Spanish
organisation for lawyers against
International Child Abduction (ASIME);
Associate partner with Lawyers in Europe on
Parental Child Abduction (LEPCA)*

***40 years of the Hague Convention on
child abduction: legal and societal
changes in the rights of a child***

15.05–15.35

Questions and answers

15.35–15.45

Concluding remarks by **Ibán GARCÍA DEL BLANCO**, JURI Vice-Chair & EP Observer at the Hague Conference on Private International Law

Closing words by JURI Chair **Adrián VÁZQUEZ LÁZARA**, MEP