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A Critical Assessment of the Status Quo

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Stadscampus - R.212 - Rodestraat - 2000 Antwerpen

Programme

10.00-10.30 Registration and coffee
10.30-10.45 Welcome (Thalia Kruger and Eva Lein)

Chair: Peter McEleavy (tbc)

10.45-11.45 Panel on recent case law (Karin Verbist and Carolina Marín Pedreño)
11.45-12.15 United States Supreme Court Hague Abduction Decisions:
Developing a Global Jurisprudence (Linda Silberman)
12.15-12.45 The Role of Central Authorities (Andrea Schulz)
12.45-14.00 Lunch

Chair: Frederik Swennen

14.00-14.30 Keynote Address, Permanent Bureau of the Hague Conference:
"Quo vadis 1980 Convention" (Marta Pertegas)
14.30-15.00 Keynote Address, European Commission:
"Quo vadis Brussels IIbis" (Joanna Serdynska)
15.00-15.30 Children's Rights and Children's Interests: (Helen Stalford)
15.30-16.00 Is Harmonised Case Law Possible? (Paul Beaumont)
16.00-16.30 The Concerns of Children's Organisations:
(Hilde Demarré and Alison Shalaby)
16.30-17.00 Debate