

Events

International Child Abduction and Human Rights

A Critical Assessment of the Status Quo

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Against the background of the increasingly diverging case law of the CJEU and ECHR, this event examines and critically assesses the current legal framework for international child abduction cases. The question is how far a court's duty reaches when assessing the grant of a return order. Should the court apply a very marginal test only, in essence sending the child back unless there is a very serious reason not to do so? Or must it take full account of the right to family life of each individual child and his or her parents?

Speakers will discuss the use of the grounds for refusal; the role of Central Authorities; the future of the 1980 Hague Convention and of the Brussels II bis Regulation; potential ways to a harmonised case law of the CJEU and ECHR; children's rights and interests; and the concerns of children's organisations.

Participants

- Paul Beaumont, University of Aberdeen
- Hilde Demarré, Missing Children Europe
- Alison Shalaby OBE, Reunite international
- Linda Silberman, Martin Lipton Professor of Law, NYU
- Thalia Kruger, University of Antwerp
- Eva Lein, British Institute of International and Comparative Law
- Carolina Marín Pedreño, Dawson Cornwell, London
- Marta Pertegas, Hague Conference on Private International Law
- Andrea Schulz, German Central Authority
- Joanna Serdyska, European Commission
- Helen Stalford, University of Liverpool
- Frederik Swennen, University of Antwerp
- Karin Verbist, Adverlat, Antwerp

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