64th MEETING OF THE CONTACT POINTS
6th MEETING OF THE CENTRAL AUTHORITIES
"MAINTENANCE OBLIGATIONS"
(COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) NO 4/2009 OF 18 DECEMBER 2008)

Venue:
Intercontinental Hotel
Malta

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Wednesday, 19 April 2017

iSupport Workshop

14:00  Registration
14:30  Welcome and practical information on the meeting
14:35  Workshop

16:00  Coffee break

16:30  Workshop (continued)
17:30  End of workshop
Thursday, 20 April 2017

Bilateral meetings "maintenance obligations"

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Meeting rooms Palm Suite 1, Palm Suite 2, Mercury, Odyssey, Apollo

08:30 Registration and welcome coffee
9:30 Start of bilateral meetings
10:30 - 11:00 Coffee available
12:30 End of bilateral meetings

Registration continued

12:45 Lunch

Plenary EJN meeting

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Meeting room Cettina De Cesare

14:00 Welcome by the Commission

14:15 Opening remarks by Mr Owen Bonnici, Minister for Justice, Culture and Local Government and Ms Salla Saastamoinen, Director Civil and commercial justice, DG Justice and Consumers, European Commission

14:30 Presentation of the Maltese national maintenance framework

(Dr John Axiak, Legal Officer, Department for Social Welfare Standards (Malta Central Authority)
15.00 Discussion on the operation of the Regulation on Maintenance obligations, including discussions on:

- the scope of the Regulation and relationship with the 2007 Hague Convention;
- practical enforcement;
- the role of administrative authorities in maintenance procedures;

17.30 End of the meeting day
18.30 Cultural Tour (Valletta) – pick-up by bus at the hotel

20:00 Dinner at Gululu Restaurant, St Julian’s

Friday, 21 April 2017

Plenary EJN meeting (continued)

9:30 European e-Justice Portal

- migration of the EJN legal aid factsheets
- new competence to be made available concerning judicial officers, officials or other competent persons for serving documents

9:45 Rome III
Introduction (Commission)

10:00 Presentation by Judge Abigail Lofaro, Family Court Judge, Ad Hoc Judge to the European Court of Human Rights

10:20 Discussion on the operation of the Rome III Regulation

- Recognition under Member State law of a divorce pronounced in a non-participating Member State or a non-EU country
11:00 Coffee break

11:30 Discussion on the operation of the Rome III Regulation (continued)

- Scope of the Rome III Regulation: also private divorce (without the intervention of an authority)?
- Scope of the Brussels IIa Regulation and of the Rome III Regulation

13:00 Lunch

14:30 Family mediation

- Introduction and state of play (Commission)

- Presentation of the developments in Malta (Judge Robert G. Mangion, Family Court Judge, Hague Network Judge)

- Member State good practices
  - Italy (Mr Giuseppe Buffone, judge of the Court of Milan)
  - Romania (Mr. Cristian Pup, judge of the Appeal Court Timisoara)

- Future initiatives by the EJN (discussion)

16:55 AOB

17:00 End of the meeting