Regulation (EC) No 1896/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2006 creating a European order for payment procedure allows creditors to recover their uncontested civil and commercial claims according to a uniform procedure that operates on the basis of standard forms. The Regulation applies between all Member States of the European Union with the exception of Denmark. The procedure does not require presence before the court. The claimant only has to submit his application, after which the procedure will lead its own life. It does not require any further formalities or intervention on the part of the claimant. The Regulation provides for seven standard forms.

You do not know whether the European payment order or the European small claims procedure can be used for your claim? Use the wizard available on the Online forms page to help you decide.

The European e-Justice Portal provides you with information concerning the application of the Regulations and a user-friendly tool for filling in the forms. Please select the relevant country's flag to obtain detailed national information.

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