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France

Article 29(1)(a) - Courts with jurisdiction

Jurisdiction to issue European orders for payment lies with the chamber for the protection of vulnerable adults (*juge des contentieux de la protection*), the president of the general court (*tribunal judiciaire*), the local court (*tribunal de proximité*) and the president of the commercial court (*tribunal de commerce*) within the limits of their subject-matter competence.

Where Council Regulation (EC) No 44/2001 of 22 December 2000 on jurisdiction and the recognition and enforcement of judgments in civil and commercial matters refers, not to the courts or tribunals that have territorial jurisdiction, but to the courts or tribunals of a Member State, jurisdiction lies with the court of the place of residence of the defendant or one of the defendants.

Article 29(1)(b) - Review procedure

The rules governing the review procedure in the exceptional cases provided for in Article 20 of the Regulation are exactly the same as those applicable to the opposition procedure. Requests for review must be submitted to the court which issued the European order for payment.

Article 29(1)(c) - Means of communication

Applications for European orders for payment may be submitted to the relevant court by post or electronically.

Article 29(1)(d) - Accepted languages

The languages accepted pursuant to Article 21(2)(b) are: French, English, German, Italian and Spanish.

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