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Slovakia

## 1. General information on mediation

In the Slovak Republic, family law mediation takes place only on the basis of voluntary participation; it is carried out by mediators who are not specialised in family law. A court is not obliged to order or recommend mediation to settle a dispute. A court may only advise parties to try mediation to settle a dispute.

## 2. Link to list of mediators in Slovakia

A link to the Slovak website where a list of mediators can be found is available at <a href="http://www.komoramediatorov.sk/">http://www.komoramediatorov.sk/</a>, where members of the Slovak Chamber of Mediators (*Slovenská komora mediátorov*) are listed, as well as at <a href="https://www.najpravo.sk/">https://www.najpravo.sk/</a>, where mediators are listed by the region or district in which they are located. A complete list of mediators who have completed professional training to work as mediators is available on the website of the Justice Ministry of the Slovak Republic (*Ministerstvo spravodlivosti Slovenskej republiky*) <a href="https://www.justice.gov.sk">https://www.justice.gov.sk</a>.

## 3. Link to website on family law mediation and mediation in general

General information on mediation is available on the website of the Slovak Chamber of Mediators: http://www.komoramediatorov.sk/, as well as at https://www.najpravo.sk/.

## 4. Link to Slovak legislation

Special national legislation on family law mediation has not yet been adopted. Mediation proceedings in this field — as well as in all other fields where mediation is allowed for outofcourt dispute resolution — take place pursuant to Act No 420/2004 on mediation and amending certain acts.

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