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Newsletter of the Global Network: “Child Support Worldwide”

**Dear network members and child support experts
all over the world,**

Enforcement of maintenance despite coronavirus restrictions

Many countries across the world have now taken measures to limit the spread of coronavirus (SARS-Co-2). Social distancing in particular is having an impact on civil life. Given the as yet unquantifiable economic consequences this will have, there are also fears that the cross-border enforcement of maintenance claims will be seriously impaired. More than ever, those entitled to maintenance are worried that their claims will no longer be met and that they will lose the financial support they need for their lives.

It is all the more important that all agencies and people involved are kept informed of the extent to which it will still be possible to enforce maintenance claims abroad in these extraordinary times, e.g. whether court proceedings will be continued or temporarily suspended, whether Central Authorities will still process their cases and how communication will continue.

We would like to use this network to encourage the exchange of information and to provide us all with an overview of the current functional capacity of the agencies charged with cross-border maintenance cases. The provisional list of information that we have received to date can be viewed [here](#).

Please send us a short note stating what the situation is in your country/authority. We will update the list immediately and make it available via the above link.

Thank you very much in advance for your cooperation.

Stay healthy!



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GDPR – Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation) (OJ L 119 of 04.05.2016, p. 1-88).

- **The GDPR applies from 25 May 2018.**

The goal of the Regulation is to strengthen the protection of the personal data of citizens through:

- **easier access to their data** - including the provision of more information on how these data are processed, and the guarantee that this information will be made available in a clear and comprehensible form;
- a new **right to data portability** - making it easier to transfer personal data between service providers;
- an express **right to erasure** ("right to be forgotten") - if someone no longer wants their data to be processed and there are no legitimate grounds for storing them, the data will be erased;
- the **right to know if your personal data have been hacked** - enterprises and organisations must inform people of serious data breaches without undue delay, and must also inform the competent data protection supervisory authority;
- an **obligation on enterprises to assess the impact** of the data processing - enterprises must assess the impact if the data processing can result in a high risk to the rights and freedoms of the individual;
- the **keeping of records** - small and medium-sized enterprises do not have to keep any records of their processing activities unless the processing is regular or may lead to a risk to the rights and freedoms of the person whose data are being processed.

The European Commission must submit a **report on the evaluation and review of this Regulation** by 25 May 2020.

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