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EUROMED JUSTICE III PROJECT

Component II Resolution of cross-border family conflicts

Research Report

“Current situation in the ENPI South region and comparative review of national experiences in the field of resolution of cross-border family conflicts.”

Launch meeting

Barcelona (ES)

21 May 2012

Hotel Novotel Barcelona city

Avgda. Diagonal 201

Barcelona

AGENDA

Sunday 20 May 2012

Arrival of the participants at the hotel and contact with the members of the Project Team.

Monday 21 May 2012

09.00 – 09.30 Registration of participants

09.30 – 09.45 Welcome speech

Sara CAMPINOTI, Programme Manager, Unit F4 Regional Programmes Neighbourhood South, Directorate-General Development and Co-operation – EuropeAid

09.45 – 10.00	<p>General presentation of the project. Background and summary of the work carried out during previous EuroMed Justice Projects related to the component “Resolution of cross-border family conflicts”</p> <p><i>Andrés SALCEDO VELASCO, Team Leader of the EuroMed Justice III Project.</i></p>
10.00 - 10.20	<p>Methodology to be followed. Reference to the experience gained during the previous study on “Access to Justice and Legal Aid in the Mediterranean partner countries”, worked out under the EuroMed Justice II project.</p> <p><i>José María FERNÁNDEZ VILLALOBOS, Course Manager of the EuroMed Justice III Project.</i></p>
10.20 - 10.45	Coffee break
10.45 - 11.45	<p>Study on “Current situation in the ENPI South region and comparative review of national experiences in the field of resolution of cross-border family conflicts”, presentation of the questionnaire</p> <p><i>Gianluca PAROLIN, Main Short-Term Expert</i></p>
11.45 - 12.00	Break
12.00 - 13.00	<p>Round table, discussion and suggestions (I)</p> <p><i>Andrés SALCEDO VELASCO</i></p>
13.00 - 14.30	Lunch
14.30 – 16.00	<p>Round table and suggestions (II)</p> <p><i>José María FERNÁNDEZ VILLALOBOS</i></p>
16.00 - 16.15	<p>Timeframe and organisation of technical visits</p> <p><i>Dania SAMOUL, Project Coordinator, EuroMed Justice III Project.</i></p>
16.15 - 16.30	<p>Closure of the meeting</p> <p><i>Andrés SALCEDO VELASCO</i></p> <p><i>Sara CAMPINOTI</i></p>

General presentation

This meeting takes place under the second component on “Resolution of cross-border family conflicts.” The objective of this activity is the preparation of a Research Report on “Current situation in the ENPI South region and comparative review of national experiences in the field of resolution of cross-border family conflicts.”

This report will:

- a) Provide a detailed analysis of the situation in each of the Beneficiary Countries related to the key issues within the researched fields.
- b) Based on reform trends/experiences among the EU MS and/or the ENPI South partner countries, propose possible actions and/or approaches, which could be helpful to improve or accelerate progress in the Beneficiary Countries.
- c) The Research Report will thus be of paramount importance to obtain a real and in-depth knowledge of the legal systems and enable in-depth discussions on the key issues within the researched fields.

The launch meeting will be a plenary session. Given the high-level profile of the participants, the representatives of the ENPI South partner countries should have an active role during the discussions. It would be necessary that the participants who take part in this meeting, and are involved in this activity, will be in charge of answering the questionnaire or helping in doing so on place.

Beneficiary countries’ experts’ profiles

Three (3) representatives per ENPI South partner country.

Profile: Good knowledge of Family Law and International Family Law; Good knowledge of Cross-Border Family Conflicts; Good knowledge of the topics to be addressed (distribution of competences between religious and civil jurisdictions, legal basis for direct judicial communications in this field, the processing of international applications concerning contacts by courts and other relevant authorities, etc); Capacity to provide the external expert with the required information; Familiarity with judicial cooperation projects. If possible, good level, in written and spoken, of English or French (at least the written communications/contributions should be in English or French).

Working languages

This launch meeting will take place in English and French, with simultaneous interpretation from and into Arabic throughout the meeting (however, the written communications/contributions should be in French or English).

Duration

One day: 21 May 2012

