

Questionnaire on electronic signatures

- 1) Can you name the key legislation(s) on electronic signatures in your jurisdiction?
- 2) Are there various categories of electronic signature in your legal system?
- 3) Is the electronic signature used in your legal system?
 - a. Generally?
 - b. For civil status documents in particular?
 - c. For ICCS forms?
- 4) Can you describe what an electronic signature is in your legal system?
 - a. How does it work from a technical point of view?
 - b. What safeguards are provided in terms of the authentication of documents by this technique?
- 5) If electronic signatures are used or are in the process of being introduced in your legal system, is this accompanied by the dematerialisation of civil status?
 - a. Totally?
 - b. Partially?
- 6) In your opinion, is the use of electronic signatures
 - a. Is likely to increase the risk of fraud
 - b. Is likely to reduce the risk of fraud
 - c. Is neutral and has no impact on the risk of fraud

7) Are there any reservations in your country about using electronic signatures? If so, can you describe the reasons for this?

8) Have there been any practical difficulties in implementing electronic signatures?

9) Have electronic signature techniques been or are they being introduced in your State spontaneously or by adopting foreign models?

10) What is the impact of using electronic signatures in financial terms?

11) Are foreign electronic signatures recognised in your legal system?

- a. If so, under what conditions?
- b. If not, why not?

12) If an international convention requires a handwritten signature, do you nevertheless accept an electronic signature?

13) Has the resolution adopted by the ICCS General Assembly on 22 September 2022 assimilating electronic signatures to handwritten signatures had an impact on your positive law?

14) Has the development of the use of electronic signatures had the effect of strengthening the procedures for checking foreign documents?

15) Is your State in favour of the ICCS taking action on electronic signatures? If so, in what form?

- a. Informal exchanges within the framework of an annual working group
- b. The introduction of a practical guide to the solutions offered by foreign systems, available on the ICCS website
- c. The adoption of a recommendation
- d. The adoption of an international convention

