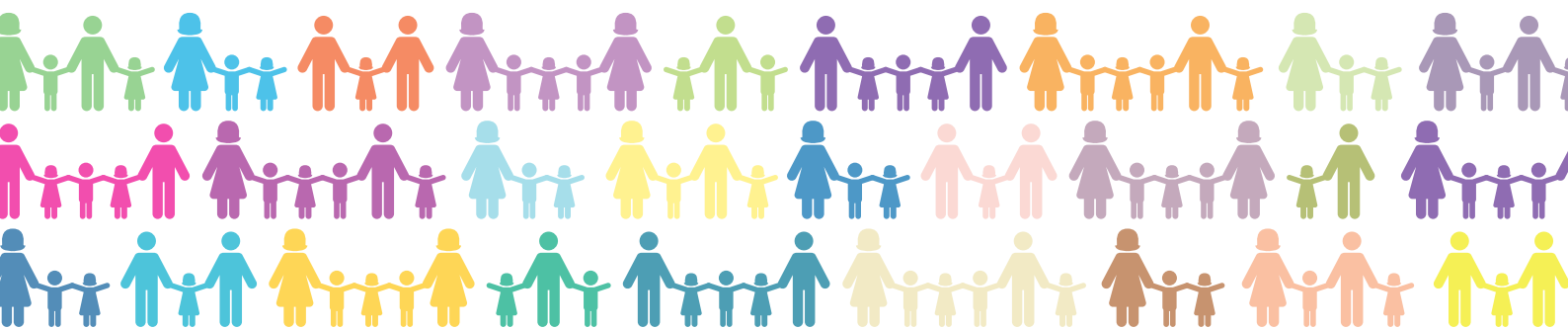


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Wednesday 3rd July 2019

8.00	REGISTRATION				
8.50	Welcome, and Dedication of the Opening Plenary Session of the 2019 Conference to the Memory of the late Sir Peter Singer, Retired Judge of the Family Division of the High Court of England and Wales Professor Marilyn Freeman, PhD, Co-Director, International Centre for Family Law, Policy and Practice				
9.00	PLENARY SESSION				
	Chair: The Honourable William Alstergren, Chief Justice of the Family Court of Australia				
9.10	The Honourable Diana Bryant AO, QC <i>A long time in the making – was it worth it? A discussion on the Guide to Good Practice on Article 13(1)(b) of the Child Abduction Convention</i>				
9.40	Professor Mark Henaghan, University of Auckland, New Zealand <i>Family Violence in New Zealand – Strategies for Prevention</i>				
10.10	Professor Linda Silberman, Martin Lipton Professor of Law, New York University School of Law <i>The Hague Abduction Convention in the Era of “Me-Too”: Can it Survive?”</i>				
10.40	Anne-Marie Hutchinson, OBE, QC, Partner, Dawson Cornwell <i>The Elderly, the forgotten family members</i>				
11.10	MORNING BREAK				
11.30	PARALLEL SESSIONS				
	SESSION A Chair: Dr. Jennifer Neoh, Clinical Psychologist, Melbourne, Australia	SESSION B Chair: Anne-Marie Hutchinson, OBE, QC, Dawson Cornwell	SESSION C Chair: Justice Robert Benjamin, Family Court of Australia, Hobart, Australia	SESSION D Chair: Judge Alexandra Harland, Federal Circuit Court of Australia, Melbourne, Australia	SESSION E Chair: Sam King, Q.C., 4 Paper Buildings, London
Paper 1	Dr Lesley Allport, Vice Chair of the College of Mediators <i>Relieving or refuelling family conflict? What part do on line resources play in Family Breakdown?</i>	Barbara Connolly QC, Bedford Row Chambers <i>Life and death medical issues – whose decisions?</i>	Stephen Cullen and Kelly Powers, Attorneys, Miles and Stockbridge, Washington DC, USA <i>The Protection of Families in Unfunded Hague Convention Proceedings in the USA</i>	Associate Professor Ingrid Boone and Elodie Decorte, KU Leuven Faculty of Law, Belgium <i>Donor Conception: From Anonymity to Openness</i>	Karolina Zoi Andriakopoulou Attorney at Law at the Supreme Court of Greece <i>Same-Sex Couples and Families in Greece</i>
Paper 2	Associate Professor Susanne Burri, Utrecht School of Law, The Netherlands <i>Assessing the (potential) impact of EU work-life balance policies, legislation and case law on families from a gender perspective</i>	Marjolein van den Brink, Utrecht School of Law, The Netherlands <i>The exercise of the ‘right to gender identity’ of aliens legally residing in The Netherlands</i>	Anita Guha, 7 Bedford Row Chambers, London and Sulema Jahangir, Dawson Cornwell <i>The 21st century phenomena of stranded spouses</i>	Dr. Adiva Sifris, Associate Professor, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia <i>Who Ought to be the Parents? Commerical Surrogacy Arrangements in Australia, a Continuing Saga</i>	Zenobia Du Toit, Attorney, Miller Du Toit Cloete, South Africa <i>Transgender Issues in South Africa</i>
Paper 3	Liz Picker, Barrister, Edmund Barton Chambers, Sydney, Australia <i>The Australian Family Law System – A Time of Change</i>	Mark Anderson, Barrister, Sydney, Australia <i>Gender Dysphoria and Australian Caselaw</i>	Dr Michelle Fernando, Senior Lecturer, School of Law, University of South Australia <i>The Child’s Objection in Hague International Child Abduction Cases in Australia</i>	Carmel van Niekerk, Lecturer, Department of Private Law, Faculty of Law, University of the Western Cape, South Africa <i>Daddy or donor? The rights of known sperm donors in South Africa and the legal implications for single women</i>	Philip Marcus, Retired Judge of the Jerusalem Family Court, Israel <i>Parental Alienation is Child Maltreatment: What is the correct legal response?</i>

1.00	LUNCH				
2.00	PLENARY SESSION				
	Chair: Sir Mathew Thorpe, previously Head of International Family Justice, England and Wales				
2.10	Philippe Lortie, First Secretary, The Permanent Bureau, The Hague Conference on Private International Law (tbc) <i>Recognition and Enforcement of Agreements in Family Matters</i>				
2.40	Professor Rollie Thompson, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Canada <i>Legislating about Relocation: Canada's Experience</i>				
3.10	AFTERNOON BREAK				
3.30	PARALLEL SESSIONS				
	SESSION A Chair: Dr. Astrid Martalas, Psychologist, Cape Town, South Africa	SESSION B Chair: Dr. Michael Wells-Greco, Maastricht University and Charles Russell Speechlys (London and Geneva)	SESSION C Chair: Christopher Hames, Q.C., 4 Paper Buildings, London	SESSION D Chair: Jacqueline Renton, 4 Paper Buildings, London	SESSION E Chair: Amanda Dench, Partner and Joint Head of the Family Department, Miles & Partners, London
Paper 1	Deb Inder, Lawyer and PhD Candidate, University of Otago, New Zealand <i>A New Paradigm for Children's Participation in Private Family Law Disputes</i>	Stephen Page, Partner, Harrington Family Lawyers, Brisbane, Australia <i>Surrogacy – Managing the Genie</i>	Charlotte Mol, LL.M. – PhD Candidate, Utrecht Centre for European Research into Family Law (UCERF), Utrecht University, The Netherlands <i>A qualitative content analysis of the ECtHR's case law on child participation in family law proceedings</i>	Clare Renton, 29 Bedford Row Chambers <i>International Access Arrangements</i>	Dr. Ghislaine Lanteigne, Adjunct Professor, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Canada <i>Who takes care of practitioners who care for families?</i>
Paper 2	Debra K. Carter, Ph.D., Co-Founder & Clinical Director of The National Cooperative Parenting Center; Founder & CEO of Carter Psychology Center, Bradenton, FL, USA <i>Building Child-Centered Solidarity among Diverse Families: A Focused Coparenting Consultation Intervention</i>	Dr. Laura Carpaneto, University of Genoa, and Professor Maria Caterina Baruffi, University of Verona, Italy <i>From the "Verona principles" to the Hague Project, passing through the European Union: a "model solution" for limping parentage</i>	Melanie Köbler, lawyer and scientific consultant, International Social Service at the German Association for Public and Private Welfare, Germany <i>Access to/possibilities of support provided by child and youth services for EU citizens staying in an EU Member State other than their home country</i>	Fanni Murányi, PhD Candidate at ELTE University (Hungary) <i>The parental child abduction cases from the perspective of the ombudsman and the court</i>	Rebecca Stahl, Lawyer for children, Children's Law Center of California, and Dr. Phil Stahl, Forensic Psychologist, Arizona <i>At the Intersection of Trauma and Bias in the Evolving Family</i>
Paper 3	Professor Anna Nylund and Professor Renee Thørnblad, University of Tromsø, Norway <i>Including children in mediation – a transformation of mandatory child custody mediation in Norway</i>	Mehvish Chaudhry, Harcourt Chambers, London <i>Feminist Views on Surrogacy – is national and international regulation necessary?</i>	Lucy Crompton, Freelance Researcher <i>Compensation: An Alternative Paradigm</i>	Francesca Maoli, Contract Research Fellow in European Union Law, University of Genoa, Italy <i>Enforcement of return orders under the 1980 Hague Convention: the role of the child's best interests in recent case law</i>	Hannah Camplin, Senior Lecturer and Director of the Student Law Clinic University of Westminster Law School <i>"A rose by any other name would smell as sweet": Time for a fresh approach to the naming of women and children in the modern family?</i>



5.00	PLENARY SESSION
	Chair: Sir Andrew McFarlane, President of the Family Division, High Court of England and Wales
5.10	Professor Judy Cashmore, Sydney Law School, Australia <i>Open Adoption from Welfare Care: The Australian Experience. Children's Best Interests and Contact Orders in New South Wales</i> <i>Supreme Court Adoption Matters: A Case File Audit Study on Contact Decision-Making</i>
5.35	Professor Julia Sloth-Nielsen, University of Western Cape, South Africa and Belinda Van Heerden, Retired Judge of the Supreme Court of Appeal, South Africa <i>Child participation and access to justice in Africa: emerging themes</i>
6.00	END OF DAY
Welcome reception at Charles Russell Speechlys, 5 Fleet Place, London, EC4M 7RD. All are welcome to attend. 6.45–9.00pm	

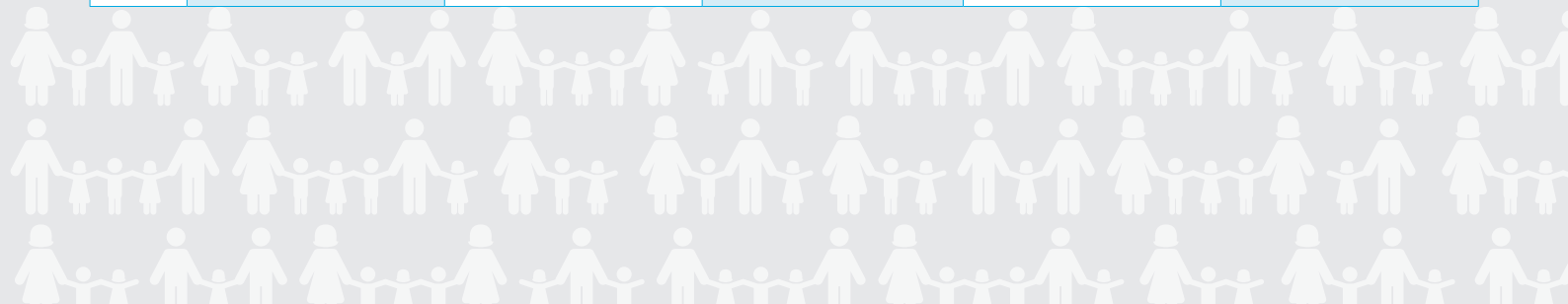


Thursday 4th July 2019

8.50	Welcome from Dr. Frances Burton, Co-Director, International Centre for Family Law, Policy and Practice				
9.00	PLENARY SESSION				
	Chair: Lord Justice Andrew Moylan, The Court of Appeal of England and Wales, International Hague Network Judge, and Head of International Family Justice for England and Wales				
9.10	Professor Lisa Young, Murdoch University, Western Australia <i>What message does Australian family law send: valuing fathering or fathering as an 'optional extra'?</i>				
9.40	Professor Thalia Kruger, University of Antwerp and Dr. Laura Carpaneto, University of Genoa, Italy <i>The EU regime on child abductions in perspective: new and old dilemmas</i>				
10.10	Professor Marilyn Freeman, Principal Research Fellow, University of Westminster School of Law, and Associate Professor Nicola Taylor, Director, The Children's Issues Centre, University of Otago, New Zealand <i>Outcomes for Objecting Children under the 1980 Hague Child Abduction Convention – The British Academy funded project, and where now?</i>				
10.40	Diahann Gordon Harrison, Children's Advocate of Jamaica and National Rapporteur on Trafficking of Persons <i>At Risk Children in Jamaica</i>				
11.10	MORNING BREAK				
11.30	PARALLEL SESSIONS				
	SESSION A Chair: Professor Marielle Bruning, Leiden Law School, The Netherlands	SESSION B Chair: Professor Trude Haugli, University of Tromso, Norway	SESSION C Chair: Professor Hrefna Frikriksdottir, University of Iceland	SESSION D Chair: Kate Branningan, Q.C., 4 Paper Buildings, London	SESSION E Chair: Professor Mark Henaghan, University of Auckland, New Zealand
Paper 1	Hetty Boone President of the Family Division of the District Court of The Hague, and Network Judge for The Netherlands <i>The Voice of the child and the guardian ad litem in 1980 Hague return procedures in The Netherlands</i>	Assistant Professor Hanne Hartoft, Aalborg University, Denmark; Associate Professor Pernilla Leviner, University of Stockholm, Sweden; Professor Anna Nylund, University of Tromsø – The Arctic University of Norway; Postdoctoral researcher Hannele Tolonen, University of Helsinki, Finland <i>Children's right to participation in the Nordic countries – between patriarchy and autonomy</i>	Femke de Kievit LL.M., PhD Researcher at the Utrecht Centre for European Research into Family Law, University of Utrecht, The Netherlands <i>Family Care in Ageing Societies</i>	Jeanette Satink, Lecturer in Youth Law and Judge (part-time) District Court of The Hague, The Netherlands <i>The criminal prosecution of severe child abuse cases in The Netherlands</i>	Professor Peter de Cruz, Keele University <i>Inter-Racial Placements and Adoption in The 21st Century Family: Inclusivity and the Child's Best Interests</i>
Paper 2	Kirsty Wehrung, Dutch Central Authority on International Children's Issues and Suzanne Labadie, International Child Abduction Center, The Netherlands <i>Child abduction: the 'Dutch model' as best practice?</i>		Associate Professor Susanne Burri and Assistant Professor Susanne Heeger-Hertter, Utrecht University Law School, The Netherlands <i>Dutch and German policies and legal approaches to families with long-term care responsibilities</i>	Dr. Kieran Walsh, Senior Lecturer, University of Portsmouth <i>Risk, Domestic Abuse and Contact: Preliminary Findings of a Review of Court Practice</i>	Josephine Ruvarashe Wazara, Legal practitioner, Zimbabwe <i>The Story of the Shona Wife, her Marriage and Equality</i>



Paper 3	<p>Professor Marielle Bruning, Leiden Law School and Mindy Mosk, LL.M., Leiden Law School, The Netherlands</p> <p><i>International Child Abduction: Lessons to be Learned from The Netherlands?</i></p>	<p>Shiran Reichenberg, PhD candidate Faculty of Law, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel</p> <p><i>The Right to Participation and Care Proceedings in Youth Court – A Gender Perspective</i></p>	<p>Dr. Monica Navarro-Michel, University of Barcelona, Spain</p> <p><i>Shared custody and high parental conflict: when is it in the child's best interest?</i></p>	<p>Alison Cleland, Senior Lecturer and Director of Law Programmes and Khylee Quince, Senior Lecturer and Director of Maori and Pacific Advancement, AUT School of Law, Auckland, New Zealand</p> <p><i>Right to identity and family life: the new child protection laws in Aotearoa New Zealand</i></p>	<p>Molshree A. Sharma, Lawyer, Chicago, USA</p> <p><i>How Courts Decide Where a Child Belongs</i></p>
1.00	LUNCH				
2.00	PLENARY SESSION				
	Chair: Diahann Gordon Harrison, Children's Advocate of Jamaica and National Rapporteur on Trafficking of Persons				
2.10	<p>Professor Ann Estin, Aliber Family Chair in Law, University of Iowa College of Law, USA</p> <p><i>Cross-Border Cohabitation Conflicts</i></p>				
2.40	<p>Professor Olga Khazova, The Moscow School of Social and Economic Sciences, NRU Higher School of Economics, Russia</p> <p><i>Children of Tender years, Parental Equality and Principle 6 of the 1959 Declaration on the Rights of the Child</i></p>				
3.10	AFTERNOON BREAK				
3.30	PARALLEL SESSIONS				
	<p>SESSION A</p> <p>Chair: Philip Cayford Q.C., Head of Chambers, 29 Bedford Row, London</p>	<p>SESSION B</p> <p>Chair: Kirsty Swadling, Chair of Family Law Section, New Zealand Law Society</p>	<p>SESSION C</p> <p>Chair: Simon Blain, Partner, Penningtons Manches, London</p>	<p>SESSION D</p> <p>Professor Linda Elrod, Washburn University School of Law, Kansas, USA</p>	<p>SESSION E</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Jens Scherpe, University of Cambridge</p>
Paper 1	<p>Associate Professor Mirela Župan, Head of Department of Private International Law, J.J. Strossmayer University of Osijek, Croatia and Martina Drvntić, LL.M</p> <p><i>Cross-border removal and retention of a child – is Croatian practice meeting European Expectations?</i></p>	<p>Dr Megan Gollop, Senior Research Fellow, Children's Issues Centre, University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand</p> <p><i>Evaluating New Zealand's 2014 Family Law Reforms: Parents' Perspectives</i></p>	<p>Dr. Renata Alexander, Monash University, Melbourne</p> <p><i>Family Violence in Australia under The Family Law Act 1975 (Cth): Where are we now?</i></p>	<p>Dr. Stefano Dominelli, University of Milan, Italy</p> <p><i>Contractualisation of Family Law and Limits to Mandatory Mediation for Dispute Settlement</i></p>	<p>Dr. Michael Wells Greco, Maastricht University and Charles Russell Speechlys (London and Geneva).</p> <p><i>The Cross-Border Recognition of Parent-Child Relationship Statuses and the Contours of Public Policy in 2019</i></p>
Paper 2	<p>Dr Onyója Momoh, Researcher, Centre for Private International Law, University of Aberdeen and 5 Pump Court Chambers</p> <p><i>Domestic and Family Violence in the Context of the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction</i></p>	<p>Associate Professor Nicola Taylor, Children's Issues Centre, University of Otago, New Zealand</p> <p><i>Evaluating New Zealand's 2014 Family Law Reforms: Family Justice Professionals' Perspectives</i></p>	<p>Dr. Máire Ní Shúilleabháin, Assistant Professor, University College Dublin, Ireland</p> <p><i>Marriage Equality: the Unresolved Cross-Border Dimension</i></p>	<p>Rachael Kelsey, Solicitor, Scotland and London</p> <p><i>Transgender children and young people and the State – a view from Scotland</i></p>	<p>Tine Van Hof, University of Antwerp, Belgium, Francesca Maoli, University of Genoa, Italy and Sara Lembrechts, University of Antwerp, Belgium</p> <p><i>The Best Interests of the Child in International Child Abduction Proceedings – The Voice Project</i></p>



Paper 3	<p>Simona Florescu, PhD candidate, Leiden Law School, Child Law Department, The Netherlands <i>The impact of immigration considerations on child abduction proceedings</i></p>	<p>Lalisa Froeder Dittrich, Deputy Head of the Central Authority for International Child Abduction – Ministry of Justice of Brazil <i>You have my word... But is it enough? Recognition and Enforcement of Private Agreements in Cross-Border Family Disputes Involving Children</i></p>	<p>Geoff Wilson, Hoggood Ganim, Brisbane, Australia <i>Part Company: Spousal Maintenance and The Future for the “Clean Break” principle under the Australian Family Law Act.</i></p>	<p>Anjuli Leila Maistry, Senior Attorney, Centre for Child Law (based at University of Pretoria, South Africa) <i>Transgender children and boarding schools: at what point will we fully include transgender children into society</i></p>	<p>Associate Professor Katine Poitras, Department of Psychology, University of Quebec at Trois-Rivieres, Canada; Professor Nicholas Bala, Queen’s University, Ontario, Canada and Professor Rachel Birnbaum, King’s University College, Ontario, Canada <i>What Family Cases End Up in a Trial?</i></p>
5.00	PLENARY SESSION				
	Chair: Alex Verdan, Q.C. Head of Chambers, 4 Paper Buildings, London				
5.10	Dr. Rob George, Reader in Family Law, University College London <i>Are Inherent Jurisdictions Still Needed in Family Law?</i>				
5.35	END OF DAY				
<p>House of Lords’ Dinner, sponsored by Baroness Hale, President of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom 7pm – 10.30pm. Please arrive by 6.45pm to allow sufficient time to clear security systems. Delegates must bring their invitations and photo ID with them to the House of Lords. Dress Code: Lounge suit or smart-casual dress. Black tie is not required. (Men require jacket and tie, women smart casual, but no jeans, denim or similar.)</p>					



Friday 5th July 2019

8.50	Welcome from Dr. Frances Burton, Co-Director, International Centre for Family Law, Policy and Practice				
9.00	PLENARY SESSION				
	Chair: Lord Justice Baker, The Court of Appeal of England and Wales				
9.10	Professor Dr. Juris Trude Haugli, University of Tromsø – the Arctic University of Norway <i>Children's Constitutional Rights in the Nordic Countries</i>				
9.40	Professor Wendy Schrama, Utrecht Centre for European Research into Family Law, The Netherlands <i>Belonging of children after divorce: what can the law do?</i>				
10.10	Sarah Calvert PhD, Clinical Psychologist <i>Hague, High Conflict, Alienation. Abduction: what do the similarities in all these types of cases tell us about parental conflict in the 21st Century</i>				
10.40	Professor Ann Skelton, University of Pretoria, South Africa, and Member, UN Committee on the Rights of the Child <i>Promoting Children's Rights within the 21st Century Family</i>				
11.10	MORNING BREAK				
11.30	PARALLEL SESSIONS				
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Paper 1	Linda D. Elrod Richard S. Righter Distinguished Professor of Law and Director, Children and Family Law Center, Washburn University School of Law, Topeka, Kansas, USA; Melissa A. Kucinski, Lawyer, Washington, D.C., USA; James Netto, Dawson Cornwell, London <i>Hearing the Voices of Children: Requiring Child's Counsel for International Cases</i>	Ranjit Malhotra, Lawyer, Chandigarh, India and Gayatri Malhotra, Jindal Global University, India <i>Is Privacy only for the privileged? Examining Reproductive Autonomy and Family Life of Prisoners through the lens of Puttaswamy</i>	Mirjam Sombroek-Van Doorn, Director of the Meijers Research Institute and Graduate School of the Leiden Law School, and Machteld Vonk, Assistant Professor and Research Fellow of Child and Family Law, Leiden University <i>A children's rights perspective on (mandatory) mental health education in schools</i>	Dr. Astrid Martalas, Psychologist, South Africa <i>Ten years of parenting coordination in South Africa – where to from here?</i>	Colin Rogerson, Dawson Cornwell and Charlotte Baker, Barrister at 4 Paper Buildings <i>Transgender Parents, Discriminatory Practices and the Family Court in England & Wales</i>
Paper 2		Dr. Christina Jeppesen de Boer and Professor Wendy Schrama, Utrecht University, UCERF (Utrecht Centre for European Research into Family Law), The Netherlands <i>Compliance with post-divorce agreements on contact – what are the reasons for non-compliance?</i>	Soraya Bou-Sfia, PhD researcher, Utrecht Centre for European Research into Family Law, The Netherlands <i>Diversity, inclusion and belonging: the (need for) protection of children's background</i>	Felicity Shedden, FLiP Faculty Limited <i>Designing Parenting Coordination for England and Wales: Innovation in process design for a new model in this jurisdiction</i>	Claire Houston, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, Western University, Ontario, Canada <i>Respecting and Protecting Transgender Children in Canada's Family Courts</i>
Paper 3		Julia Townend, 4 Paper Buildings, London <i>Elderly Spouses and Vulnerable Adults: The 21st Century Family and The Court of Protection</i>	Judge Grant Riethmuller, Federal Circuit Court of Australia and Kathryn St. John, University College, London <i>The effectiveness of private and public mediation in resolving family property disputes</i>	Craig Schneider, Attorney and Mediator <i>Dispute Resolution for the 21st Century Family</i>	Marjolein van den Brink, Utrecht University School of Law, and Peter Dunne, University of Bristol <i>Protecting Gender and Sex Diversity? Exploring Trans and Intersex Equality Frameworks in 21st Century Europe</i>

1.00	LUNCH					
2.00	PLENARY SESSION					
	Chair: Henry Setright, Q.C., 4 Paper Buildings					
2.10	Professor Rachel Birnbaum King's University College, Ontario and Professor Nicholas Bala, Queen's University, Ontario, Canada <i>The Crisis of Access to Family Justice: Changing How Legal Services Are Provided</i>					
2.40	Dr. Frances Burton, Senior Lecturer in Law, University of Buckingham <i>Access to Justice in England and Wales: Modernisation A Mixed Blessing?</i>					
3.10	AFTERNOON BREAK					
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Paper 1	Ivo Pieters and Machteld Vonk, Leiden University Law School, The Netherlands <i>Guardian ad litem in parentage cases: what role should their best interests evaluation play in multi-parenthood?</i>	Elena Falletti, Assistant Professor in Private Comparative Law at Carlo Cattaneo University, Castellanza (VA), Italy <i>Religious roots of the duty of marital fidelity and the evolution of Italian family law</i>	Pietro Sanna, PhD Candidate, University of Genoa, Italy <i>Fragmentation of Conflict of Law in Europe: Could Protocol No 16 to the European Convention on Human Rights ensure Consistency in Family Law Matters?</i>	Byron James, Expatriate Law (Dubai and London) and Will Tyler, Q.C., 36, Bedford Row, London <i>Shari'a Principles -v- the Paramountcy of Welfare: the English Courts' struggle to effect judicial comity in the context of the international movement and abduction of children to, within and from the Emirates</i>	Dr. Jet Tigchelaar, Yasemin Yildiz (LLM) and Prof. Wendy Schrama, Utrecht Centre for European Research into Family Law, The Netherlands <i>Protecting all 21st century families: a comparison of informal marriages, informal cohabitation and marriage</i>	Pamela Scriven QC and Andrea Watts, 1 King's Bench Walk Chambers <i>Protection from FGM: Is the law in England and Wales adequate?</i>
Paper 2	Mr. Shuji Zushi, Director, Central Authority, Japan <i>Japan's five-year experience in implementing the 1980 Hague Convention - past results and challenges ahead</i>	Russell Bywater, Partner, Dawson Cornwell, London <i>Term Maintenance: Have We ggot it wrong?</i>	Ronaldah Lerato Karabo Ozah, Director, Centre for Child Law, University of Pretoria, South Africa <i>No corporal punishment of a child is reasonable: the removal of the defence of reasonable chastisement in South Africa</i>	Robert A. Simon, forensic psychologist, California, and The Honourable Dianna Gould-Saltman, Los Angeles, USA <i>Gender and Child Custody: Is that Even a Thing in the Twenty First Century?</i>	Malathi Das, Joyce A Tan & Partners, Singapore <i>The Seventh Age: Forgetting but hopefully not forgotten</i>	Tzipi Yagelnik-Frisktik PhD Candidate, Bar-Ilan University, Israel <i>Economic Domestic Violence against Women in Private Law, Family Law and Criminal Law</i>



Paper 3	Dr. Latiefa Manie, University of Western Cape, South Africa <i>Gender neutrality in relocation disputes in South Africa</i>	Thos Hodgson, Edmund Barton Chambers, Sydney, Australia <i>Binding Financial Arrangements in Australia</i>	Sarah Atkins, Senior Teaching Fellow, School of Law, University of Portsmouth <i>'Calais Jungle' family reunifications: a human rights analysis of UK age assessment methods and gender bias</i>	Anil Malhotra, Lawyer, Chandigarh, India Aastha Malhotra, West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata, India <i>Rights of the Removed Child</i>	Professor Lea Mwambene, Faculty of Law, University of Western Cape, South Africa <i>Access to justice, gender, and customary laws</i>	Stephen Cullen and Kelly Powers, Attorneys, Miles and Stockbridge, Washington DC, USA and Simon Craddock, Partner, Brethertons <i>A comparative analysis of how England and Wales, and The United States, deal with domestic violence in the family courts</i>
5.00	PLENARY SESSION					
	Chair: Professor Lisa Webley, University of Birmingham					
5.10	Justice Victoria Bennett <i>Hearing the Voice of the Child</i>					
5.40	Final Remarks: Professor Marilyn Freeman, PhD, Co-Director, International Centre for Family Law, Policy and Practice					
5.50	CLOSE OF CONFERENCE					
<p>Farewell supper reception/garden party at Drapers' Hall, Throgmorton Avenue, London, EC2N 2DQ A short address will be delivered by Sir Andrew McFarlane, President of the Family Division of the High Court of England and Wales. 7.30pm</p>						



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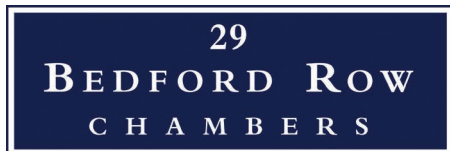
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