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**Agenda  (144 Kb)  of the 60th meeting of the EJN contact points (20-22 June 2016)**

The 60th meeting (5th meeting of Maintenance central authorities) will mainly be dealing with operational issues relating to the Council Regulation (EC) No 4/2009 of 18 December 2008 on jurisdiction, applicable law, recognition and enforcement of decisions and cooperation in matters relating to maintenance obligations.

**Agenda  (388 Kb)  of the 59th meeting of the EJN contact points (26 April 2016)**

The 59th meeting will focus on cooperation issues and bring together Central Authorities under the Brussels IIa Regulation (Council Regulation (EC) No 2201/2003 of 27 November 2003 concerning jurisdiction and the recognition and enforcement of judgments in matrimonial matters and the matters of parental responsibility, repealing Regulation (EC) No 1347/2000).

**Agenda  (504 Kb)  of the 58th meeting of the EJN contact points (14-15 March 2016)**

The 58th meeting will deal with two main topics: improving national data collection mechanisms on the application of EU civil justice instruments and the implementation of review procedures under EU civil procedural instruments in national law and practice.

**Report of the Annual meeting of the EJN (21-22 January 2015)**

At the 14th EJN-civil annual meeting of 21/22 January 2016 in Brussels, the Commission announced three priority areas for the developing of operations of the EJN in 2016:

- reflection on putting in place electronic case handling of cases dealt by EJN contact points
- improving statistical data collection at Member State level on the application of Union civil justice instruments
- to make additional efforts to increase the Network's visibility based on several tools developed in 2015 which will be made available in the course of 2016. The new leaflet about "How to use the EJN-civil", the poster to be distributed at courts, making available improved EJN content on the European e-Justice Portal and a guide to good practice for contact points on making the EJN-civil visible among practitioners.

The meeting also dealt with good practices for the functioning of Network structures at national level which facilitate and promote regular communication with all national EJN-civil members, such as by way of organising meetings at national level and to extend the discussion on issues raised at EJN meetings also to the national level.

A good example of experience and actions in the context of the European Day of Justice was presented. The Commission encouraged other Member States to take inspiration from this example and to do the same.

The meeting was also an excellent opportunity to go through recent important ECJ decisions in civil justice matters, to take a look into the state of play of developing guidance by the EJN-civil on the forms under the Regulation on Maintenance Obligations and to develop perspectives for deepening contacts of the Network with other networks, such as the Network of the Presidents of the Supreme Courts of the European Union, the European Judicial Training Network (EJTN), Your Europe and the European Consumer Centres Network (ECC-Net).

In 2016, the EJN-civil plans to organise five more meetings:

- In March on data collection and review procedures under Union law instruments
- In April in cooperation with the Dutch Presidency of the Council on the Brussels IIa Regulation (Central Authorities)
- In June on Maintenance Obligations (Central Authorities)
- In October on the Successions Regulation and finally
- In November in cooperation with the future Slovak Presidency of the Council on Service of Documents and Taking of Evidence.

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### EJN activities' report

The Commission adopted [the report](#) on the activities of the European Judicial Network in civil and commercial matters (EJN-civil) on 10 March 2016.

This report provides an analysis of the substantial support of EJN-civil over the last five years for developing day-to-day judicial cooperation in civil and commercial matters between Member States. The report also paves the way forward to further developing judicial cooperation and building additional capacities of the EJN to ensure efficient application of Union civil justice instruments.

The report is available in all official EU languages.

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