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With this periodical, we would like to inform you about the closing of the EUFams II project. EUFams II was a study on European private international law in family and succession matters conducted between September 2018 and December 2020 by academic institutions from various EU Member States and funded by the European Commission. The project's objective was to assess the functioning and the effectiveness of the framework of international and European family law, detect potential problems and propose possible improvements. Ultimately, it aimed at developing a common European expertise and understanding to secure the uniform, coherent and consistent application of European family law, so as to facilitate the cross-border movement of persons within the EU.

ONLINE FINAL CONFERENCE

The EUFams II project came to a close with an online final conference hosted by Heidelberg University on 30 October 2020. The conference entailed presentations of the main findings of EUFams II and served as a discussion forum for the future of European family and succession law. The contributions presented at the conference will be published in a conference volume which will accordingly serve as the project's final study.

PREVIOUS RESEARCH OUTPUTS

The project generated the following research outputs:

SURVEY

Having conducted a survey in the participating Member States, the project partners were able to gather experiences from approximately 1,400 practitioners and scholars in the field of family and succession law.

A report on the results of the survey, in particular regarding the various legal instruments, can be found on the project website: <http://www2.ipr.uni-heidelberg.de/eufams/index-Dateien/microsites/download.php?art=projektbericht&id=2>

CASE LAW DATABASE

The case law database contains relevant decisions from EU Member States in the field of private international law in family and succession matters and can be found on the project website: <http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/eufams?lang=en>

A report on the case law database can be found on the project website as well: <http://www2.ipr.uni-heidelberg.de/eufams/index-Dateien/microsites/download.php?art=projektbericht&id=20>

NATIONAL EXCHANGE SEMINARS

National exchange seminars were hosted in the project partners' Member States where renowned representatives from academia and practice exchanged views on recent problems and reform proposals. Reports on Germany, Italy, Croatia, Spain and Sweden can be found on the project website: <http://www2.ipr.uni-heidelberg.de/eufams/index.php?site=projektberichte&lang=en>

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE SEMINAR

An International Exchange Seminars was hosted by the Max-Planck-Institute Luxembourg for Procedural Law. During the seminar, renowned experts from academia and practice exchanged views on recent problems and reform proposals in the field of European family and succession law.

A report can be found on the project website: <http://www2.ipr.uni-heidelberg.de/eufams/index-Dateien/microsites/download.php?art=projektbericht&id=17>

REPORT ON NATIONAL IMPLEMENTATION LAWS

The effectiveness and functioning of the European framework of private international law in family and succession matters is closely connected to the existence of national legislation implementing the relevant EU regulation in this field. Consequently, the project partners endeavoured to shed light on national implementation laws by analysing and comparing the situation in Croatia, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Luxembourg, Spain and Sweden.

The report can be found on the project website: <http://www2.ipr.uni-heidelberg.de/eufams/index-Dateien/microsites/download.php?art=projektbericht&id=18>