

*The Secretary General and Chair of CGAP*

Members of the HCCH

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To all Members of the HCCH,

The March 2025 meeting of CGAP welcomed the proposal of the current Chair and Vice-Chair of CGAP to remain in their respective positions for one additional year, until the conclusion of CGAP 2026. Consequently, CGAP 2026 will need to elect a new Chair.

In accordance with Rule III.B.1.b. of the Rules of Procedure, CGAP shall elect the Chair “upon a proposal submitted by the President of the Netherlands Standing Government Committee. The proposal is prepared in consultation with the Secretary General and the incumbent Chair of CGAP, applying Rule II.E.” Under the latter Rule, “Members shall seek to ensure geographical and gender balance.” We also recall C&D No 102 of CGAP 2025, which states: “CGAP emphasised the importance of ensuring stability and continuity in CGAP leadership as well as appropriate geographic and gender representation.”

Having discussed the matter, we have concluded that Members should be given the opportunity to submit proposals for the new Chair. We are thus pleased to invite any Member wishing to recommend a delegate or expert for consideration for the position of Chair of CGAP to inform us by sending an e-mail to [cb@hcch.net](mailto:cb@hcch.net) no later than **Friday 26 September 2025, 5.00 p.m. (CEST)**.

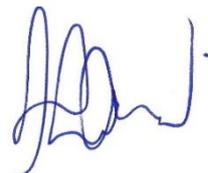
It is also understood that, once elected, the new Chair may, if they so wish, consider any of the proposals received when formulating their own proposal for the position of Vice-Chair (see Rule III.B.1.c).

We thank Members in advance for their kind cooperation in this important matter, and we look forward to the 2026 CGAP meeting.

Yours sincerely,



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Secretary General



Prof. De Nardi  
Chair of CGAP