



## **CMI Standing Committee on Ratification of the Rotterdam Rules**

**To Presidents of European MLAs: Invitation to attend Meeting of the Standing Committee for the Ratification of the Rotterdam Rules at CMI Colloquium in Gothenburg: Wednesday 22 May 2024 at Noon.**

Dear President

This invitation is sent on behalf of the CMI Standing Committee for Ratification of the Rotterdam Rules and is intended to be sent to all current Presidents of MLAs which are based in Europe. If you are not that person in your organisation I would be grateful if you forward it to the correct person.

As you may know from the Programme for the Colloquium the topic of the Hague and Rotterdam Rules is to be discussed at length by Professor Michael Sturley in his Francesco Berlingieri lecture and in the two sessions immediately following that on Thursday 23 May in Gothenburg.

The Standing Committee (to which some of the recipients to this email also belong) is holding a meeting on the previous day at Noon (22 May) in the offices of Wistrand Law Firm, Marten Krakowgatan 2, 411 04 Goteborg, Sweden.

As a key focus of the Standing Committee after the Colloquium will be to engage with the EU (its members, and other European countries) it is thought appropriate and of benefit to both CMI and MLAs if Presidents of MLAs in Europe participate at least in the first part of that meeting where we will be discussing the present state of discussions with the EU on this subject matter and what steps can be taken by CMI and MLAs following the Colloquium.

On behalf of the Standing Committee I would therefore like to invite you (or your nominee from your MLA if you are not attending the Colloquium or are not intending to arrive until later that day or even the following day) to attend the meeting on 22 May at noon, to which I have referred above.

I will be grateful if you could let me know whether you (or your nominee) will be able to accept this invitation as soon as possible to help us with numbers.

**Stuart Hetherington**  
**Chairman of the Standing Committee for the Ratification of the Rotterdam Rules**

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