

GOVERNING COUNCIL 99th session (B) Rome, 23-25 September 2020

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ANNOTATED AGENDA

- 1. Adoption of the annotated draft agenda (C.D. (99) B.1)
- 2. Appointment of First and Second Vice-Presidents of the Governing Council (C.D. (99) B.1)
- 3. Reports
 - (a) Annual Report 2019 (C.D. (99) B.2)
 - (b) Report on the UNIDROIT Foundation
- 4. Update and determination of scope of certain projects on the 2020-2022 Work Programme:
 - (a) Best Practices of Effective Enforcement (C.D. (99) B.3)
 - (b) Work on Artificial Intelligence, Smart Contracts and DLT (C.D. (99) B.4)
 - (c) Legal Structure of Agricultural Enterprises (C.D. (99) B.5)
 - (d) Bank Insolvency (C.D. (99) B.6)
- 5. Model Law on Warehouse Receipts (C.D. (99) B.7)
- 6. Development of a Model Law on Factoring (C.D. (99) B.8)
- 7. UNIDROIT instruments in the COVID-19 pandemic (C.D. (99) B.9)
- 8. Transnational civil procedure: Adoption of ELI-UNIDROIT regional rules (C.D. (99) B.10)

9. International Sales Law: Adoption of Tripartite Legal Guide to Uniform Legal Instruments in the Area of International Commercial Contracts (with a focus on sales) (C.D. (99) B.11)

10. Private Law and Agricultural Development: Adoption of a Legal Guide on Agricultural Land Investment Contracts (C.D. (99) B.12)

- 11. International Interests in Mobile Equipment
 - (a) Implementation and status of the Luxembourg Rail Protocol and of the Space Protocol (C.D. (99) B.13)
 - (b) Implementation and status of the MAC Protocol (C.D. (99) B.14)

12. International protection of cultural property: the 25th anniversary of the 1995 UNIDROIT Convention on Stolen or Illegally Exported Cultural Objects and Project on the Private Art collections (C.D. (99) B.15)

- 13. Q&A on documents that will not be presented orally at the Governing Council:
 - (a) Update on the publication of the Principles of Reinsurance Contracts and future work (C.D. (99) B.16)
 - (b) UNIDROIT Library and research activities (C.D. (99) B.17)
 - (c) UNIDROIT information resources and policy (C.D. (99) B.18)
 - (d) Measures taken by the UNIDROIT Secretariat in relation to the COVID 19 Pandemic (C.D. (99) B.19)

(e) Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the new compensation and social security scheme applicable to UNIDROIT staff (C.D. (99) B.20)

- 14. Date and venue of the 100th session of the Governing Council (C.D. (99) B.1)
- 15. Any other business
- 16. Workshop on the ELI-UNIDROIT Model European Rules of Civil Procedure

ANNOTATIONS

1. The second meeting of the 99th session of the Governing Council will be held at the seat of UNIDROIT, with the possibility of participating via video conference, on 23-25 September 2020. In order to accommodate participation across as many time zones as possible, meeting hours shall be from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. CET. A conference and webinar on the ELI- UNIDROIT Model European Rules of Civil Procedure will be held as a closing event.

Item No. 2 - Appointment of First and Second Vice-Presidents of the Governing Council

2. At its annual sessions since 1977, the Governing Council has elected a First and a Second Vice-President who, in accordance with Article 11 of the Regulations of the Institute, will hold office until the following ordinary session, which is convened once a year. At present, the post of First Vice-President is occupied by the *doyen* of the Council and that of Second Vice-President by one of the most senior Council members, the latter on the basis of the criterion of rotation since 1994.

3. Rules of Procedure governing the first meeting of the 99th session appointed Mr. Arthur Hartkamp as First Vice President, and Mr. Alexander Komarov as Second Vice President. The Secretariat would propose the same composition for the second part of the session.

Item No. 13 - Date and venue of the 100th session of the Governing Council

4. The Governing Council may wish to consider holding its 100th session on 12 to 14, 19 to 21 or 26 to 28 May 2021.





International workshop The ELI- UNIDROIT Model European Rules of Civil Procedure

(Closing event of the 99th session of the UNIDROIT Governing Council)

Rome/remote, Friday 25 September 2020

Pre-register <u>here</u>

13:00-13:15 **Opening addresses**:

Professor Maria Chiara Malaguti (UNIDROIT President) Professor Ignacio Tirado (UNIDROIT Secretary-General)

Professor Christiane Wendehorst (*ELI President –* via video message)

13:15-14:30 Chair: Professor Jorge Sanchez Cordero Dàvila (UNIDROIT Governing Council member, Mexico)

History of the project and general presentation: Diana Wallis (former ELI President, University of Hull) Anna Veneziano (UNIDROIT Deputy Secretary-General, University of Teramo)

From the ALI-UNIDROIT Principles to the ELI-UNIDROIT Rules: *Rolf Stürner (University of Freiburg, former Co-Reporter ALI-UNIDROIT Principles)*

Discussion

Break: 14:30 - 14:45

14:45-16:15 Co-Chairs: Anna Veneziano & Diana Wallis

Party Disposition and Case Management: The Approach of the ELI-UNIDROIT Rules

John Sorabji (former Principal Legal Adviser to the Lord Chief Justice and the Master of the Rolls; University College London)

External discussants (views from the judiciary): Sir Geoffrey Vos (Chancellor of the High Court of England and Wales) Raffaele Sabato (former Italian Supreme Court judge, Judge at the European Court of Human Rights)

Roundtable discussion with invited Co-Reporters Further discussion with Governing Council members and other participants

Break: 16:15- 16:30

16.30 -17.30 Chair: *Remo Caponi (University of Florence)*

The Rules as a model for supranational and national legislators:

Frédérique Ferrand (University Jean Moulin Lyon 3) Xandra Kramer (Erasmus University, Rotterdam) External discussant:

Norel Rosner (DG-JUST, European Commission)

Closing of the workshop and of the Governing Council Session:

Maria Chiara Malaguti, UNIDROIT President