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On the occasion of the 81st Session of the UNIDROIT General Assembly,
The President of UNIDROIT and the Italian Chair for 2022
are pleased to invite the Legal Advisers of UNIDROIT Member States
and the CAHDI National Representatives and Observers
to a High-Level Dialogue
on

SOFT LAW IN INTERNATIONAL GOVERNANCE

**How to cope with the growing use of soft law instruments
in key areas of international law**

To be hosted at UNIDROIT Headquarter
Villa Aldobrandini, via Panisperna 28 – Roma,
with possibility to connect by streaming
on 15 December 2022

14.30 – 17.30 CET

A detailed program of the event and a concept note will follow shortly

The Dialogue Outline

It is a fact that nowadays soft law instruments are being increasingly used in key areas of international cooperation. In environmental law, for instance, cornerstone principles of international cooperation and States obligations are embedded in intergovernmental resolutions and declarations, guidelines, and model rules. Similarly, uniform law is mostly produced by model laws, legislative guides, and principles. Equally, the obligation can be now frequently found in domestic laws to directly apply international soft law instruments, such as for the assessment of corporate social liability. This phenomenon raises several challenges in terms of interpretation, implementation, and monitoring of application of such instruments, as well as in terms of their coexistence with hard law. The main aim of the event is to kick off a dialogue between Legal Advisers to identify and highlight common issues and concerns and share experiences which might lead in the future to reach a common understanding and elaborate shared solutions. Highly reputed scholars will introduce the event and will help shaping a debate among the participants in order to make the Dialogue as much as possible fruitful and interactive.