



Recovery of Child Support and Family Maintenance in Asia Pacific and Worldwide: National and Regional Systems and the Hague 2007 Convention and Protocol

Agenda

Hong Kong, 9 to 11 November 2015

Faculty of Law, Cheng Yu Tung Tower, Centennial Campus, University of Hong Kong

Monday, 9 November 2015

12.15–1.15 p.m.

Reception of Participants

1.15 p.m.

Official Photograph (All Speakers and Participants)

1.30–2.00 p.m.

Welcoming words by

SUN Ang, Deputy Director-General of the Department of Treaty and Law, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, China

Rimsky YUEN, SC, JP, Secretary for Justice, Department of Justice Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

Philippe LORTIE, First Secretary, Hague Conference on Private International Law

2.00–4.00 p.m.

Plenary Session – The Global Need for the Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance – the 2007 Convention, the Asia Pacific Region, and Recent Initiatives

Chair and Moderator – Anselmo REYES, Representative, Permanent Bureau, Hague Conference Asia Pacific Regional Office

1. Jan-Marie DOOGUE, Chief District Court Judge, District Court of New Zealand (Wellington), Chair Drafting Committee 2007 Convention, “The Vision and Flexibility of the 2007 Convention”
2. Mikiko OTANI, Attorney-at-law, Toranomon Law and Economics Office, Japan, “A Comparative Overview of Asia Pacific Maintenance / Child Support Systems”
3. Kankani TANTRI CHITRASIRI, Judge, Court of Appeal of Sri Lanka, “The Family Maintenance System of Sri Lanka”
4. Kwang Hyun SUK, Professor, School of Law, Seoul National University, “Korean Perspectives on the (International) Collection of Child Support”

5. Tiong Min YEO, Dean, Law School, Singapore Management University, "Recent Work of the Singapore Law Reform Commission"
6. Paul BEAUMONT, Professor, University of Aberdeen School of Law, "European Perspectives on the International Recovery of Maintenance"
7. Vicki TURETSKY, Commissioner, Office of Child Support Enforcement, "Towards U.S. Ratification of the 2007 Convention and Perspectives on U.S.–Asia Pacific Child Support Cases"

4.00–4.30 p.m.

Coffee break

4.30–6.00 p.m.

Session I – Parallel Workshops

<p>1. The 2007 Convention & Protocol, and the 2009 EU Regulation: Implementation and Operation Large Moot Court (2nd Floor)</p>	<p>2. Research and Analysis: Migration, Demographics and Modern Family Patterns Rooms 725 / 745 (7th Floor)</p>
<p>Chair and Moderator – Anselmo Reyes</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Arnaldo José Alves Silveira (Brazil), The Brazilian Implementation of The Hague 2007 Child Support Convention and Protocol 2. Anna Wysocka-Bar & Anna Juryk (Poland), Choice of Applicable Law under the Hague 2007 Protocol and the EU Regulation / 2007 Convention from a Polish Perspective 3. Lucy Greenwood (The United Kingdom), Experience from Europe of the EU Maintenance Regulation 4. Maja Groff (HCCH), Presentation of the Implementation Checklist for the 2007 Convention <p style="text-align: right;">General Discussion: 5.30–6.00 p.m.</p>	<p>Chair and Moderator – Hannah Roots</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kay Cook (Australia), The Recording of Child Support in Research and Administrative Datasets: Implications for Sole Parent Finances and Policy Reform 2. Yu Lim Song (Korea), Modern Korean Family Patterns and Recent National Reforms 3. Diane Potts (United States), Challenges in the Recovery of Support for the Modern Family 4. Verónica Valenzuela Muñoz (Chile), International Conventions and their Application in New Family Realities <p style="text-align: right;">General Discussion: 5.30–6.00 p.m.</p>

6.00 p.m.

End of work

6.00–8.00 p.m.

Welcome Cocktail Reception (at conference venue)

Tuesday, 10 November 2015

9.00–10.30 a.m.

Session II – Parallel Workshops

<p>3. Country Reports: Asia Pacific National Systems for the Recovery of Maintenance Large Moot Court (2nd Floor)</p>	<p>4. Country Reports: Other National Systems for the Recovery of Maintenance 11th Floor Conference Room</p>
<p>Chair and Moderator – James Ding</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ningning (Claudia) Zhao (China), Enforcement Challenges and Experience in the Field of Child Support and Family Maintenance in China Mainland 2. Md Nor Zarina (Malaysia), A Glimpse at Financial Hardship and Child Support Issues among Divorced Single Mothers in Malaysia 3. Elizabeth Aguilin-Pangalangan (Philippines), The Family Maintenance / Child Support System in the Philippines 4. Lita Arijati (Indonesia), The Family Maintenance / Child Support System in Indonesia 	<p>Chair and Moderator – Chris Beresford</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Paulo Jorge Gomes Gonçalves (Portugal), Child Support Experience and Practices in Portugal: Domestic and International Recovery 2. Olanike Odewale & Tolulope Adesanya (Nigeria), Evaluation of Enforcement Challenges of Child Support in Nigeria 3. Paula Poretti (Croatia), Efficient Recovery of Family Maintenance and Child Support in Croatia: Problems and Solutions Concerning Enforcement of Maintenance Orders 4. Lisette Dupré (The United Kingdom), Child Maintenance Enforcement and Collection in England and Wales
<p>General Discussion: 10.00–10.30 a.m.</p>	<p>General Discussion: 10.00–10.30 a.m.</p>

10.30–11.00 a.m.

Coffee break

11.00 a.m.–12.30 p.m. Session III – Parallel Workshops

<p>5. Focus on Enforcement</p> <p>11th Floor Conference Room</p>	<p>6. Amer-Asian Child Support Cases in Practice and the Potential of the 2007 Convention</p> <p>Large Moot Court (2nd Floor)</p>
<p>Chair and Moderator – Paul Beaumont</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lara Walker (The United Kingdom), Enforcement Challenges and Best Practices 2. Inez Lopes (Brazil), Migration, Maintenance and the Challenge for New Types of Transnational Households 3. Mirela Župan (Croatia), European Model(s) of Protective Measures in Cross-Border Maintenance Debt Recovery 4. Alisha Griffin (United States), The Evolution of U.S. / North American Enforcement Practices: 20 Years of Learning <p>General Discussion: 12.00–12.30 p.m.</p>	<p>Chair and Moderator – Philippe Lortie</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Gary Caswell (United States/International), Processing Amer-Asian Cases in the U.S. Today and after the 2007 Convention Enters into Force 2. Annette Eddie-Callagain (United States/Japan), U.S. Military Cases – Establishing and Enforcing Child Support for Japanese Parents 3. Kazumi Hasegawa (United States/Japan/China), Child Support in Japan: Legal Basis, Enforcement Mechanisms, Recognition of Child Support Orders, Practical Considerations Pertaining to the 2007 Convention <p>General Discussion: 12.00–12.30 p.m.</p>

12.30–1.30 p.m.

Conference lunch

1.30–3.00 p.m.

Session IV – Parallel Workshops

7. Best Practices and Lessons Learned from Existing National Systems for the Recovery of Maintenance Large Moot Court (2 nd Floor)	8. Human and Economic Rights / Social Policy Perspectives 11 th Floor Conference Room
<p style="text-align: center;">Chair and Moderator – James Ding</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Andina van Isschot, Tracy Morrow & Chris Beresford (Canada), Canada’s System for the International Recovery of Maintenance and its Application to the 2007 Child Support Convention2. Floor de Jongh Bekkali & Britt H. Rustad (Norway), Norway’s Efficient and Effective Administrative System for Establishment and Enforcement of Child Support3. Catherine Halbert (Australia), The Australian Child Support Scheme – Background and Key Features4. Maureen Leif (United States), Effective Collaborations to Break Down Barriers <p style="text-align: right;">General Discussion: 2.30–3.00 p.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Chair and Moderator – Maja Groff</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Nel Greeven Bobadilla (Chile), UNCRC and International Recovery of Maintenance: Child Poverty and Economic Rights2. Hannah Roots (Canada), The Role of Government-Run Child Support Programs as Part of the “Social Safety Net” and Approaches to Advance Payments / Welfare Recovery3. Diane Potts (United States), The Nature of Child Support and the Role of Government in its Recovery4. Thomas Meysen (Germany), Increasing Family Diversity and Child Support in Europe <p style="text-align: right;">General Discussion: 2.30–3.00 p.m.</p>

3.00–3.30 p.m.

Tea break

3.30-5.00 p.m.

Session V – Parallel Workshops

<p>9. The Use of Mediation, “Problem Solving” Courts & Early Intervention in Family Maintenance Cases</p> <p>Large Moot Court (2nd Floor)</p>	<p>10. Comparative Development of Maintenance Systems, with a Focus on the “Right Sizing” of Orders: Principles in Practice Around the World</p> <p>11th Floor Conference Room</p>
<p>Chair and Moderator – Thomas Meysen</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Dennis Ho (Hong Kong SAR), Mediation Practices and the Recovery of Maintenance in Hong Kong2. Nicholas J. Palos (United States), Problem Solving Courts: Fostering Reliable Compliance with Family Support Obligations3. Juan Francisco Zarricueta Baeza (Chile), Mandatory Mediation and Maintenance Obligations under Chilean Family Law4. Laura J. Rosenak (United States), Improving Collections Through Early Interventions <p>General Discussion: 4.30-5.00 p.m.</p>	<p>Chair and Moderator – Anselmo Reyes</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Alisha Griffin (United States), Child Support – How Much is Appropriate? US Guidelines and Shifting the Paradigm to Right Sizing Orders2. Floor de Jongh Bekkali (Norway), Norway’s Perspective on Child Support3. Paula Knaap (New Zealand), Right Sized Orders – the New Zealand Perspective: A Fairer System to Influence Compliance? <p>General Discussion: 4.30-5.00 p.m.</p>

5.00–6.00 p.m.

Reporting of Moderators from Workshops – Development of Conclusions and Recommendations
Co-Moderators – Anselmo REYES and Chris BERESFORD

6.00 p.m.

Coach Service to North Point Pier for Hong Kong Harbour Cruise

7.00 p.m.

Hong Kong Harbour Cruise Dinner, hosted by the Secretary of Justice, Hong Kong Department of Justice

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8.00-9.00 a.m.

Working Group to review Conclusions and Recommendations

9.00-10.00 a.m.

Thematic Small Group Discussions – Building the Global Network in Asia Pacific and Ways Forward in the Region

Introduction – Paul BEAMONT and Maja GROFF

Group 1: Regional and International Co-operation – governmental, judicial, administrative, professional

Group 2: National Law Reform

Group 3: Promotion of the 2007 Convention

Group 4: Enforcement

Group 5: Capacity Building and Research

10.00-11.00 a.m.

Plenary Session – Building the Global Network in Asia Pacific and Ways Forward in the Region

Co-Moderators – James DING and Thomas MEYSEN

Reports from Thematic Small Group Discussions

11.00-11.30 a.m.

Coffee break

11.30 a.m.-12.00 p.m.

Presentation of iSupport – A New Global Case Management and Secure Communication System

Philippe LORTIE and Hannah ROOTS

12.00 -1.00 p.m.

Conclusions and Recommendations

Co-Moderators – Jan DOOGUE, Anselmo REYES and Philippe LORTIE

1.00 p.m.

End of work – Closing

