

An overview of Regulation (EU) 2016/1191 on public documents

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- 1. The objectives of the Regulation
- 2. The ongoing implementation of the Regulation



1. Facilitating the presentation of public documents abroad



A specific scope

Not all public documents are included in the scope of the Regulation

- Documents establishing the following facts birth, a person being alive, death, name, marriage, divorce, registered partnership, parenthood, adoption residence, nationality and absence of criminal records (Article 2)
- Issued by the authorities of a Member State and presented to the authorities of another Member State
- The date of presentation is relevant for the temporal scope



Formalities abroad facilitated

- Abolition of legalisation and apostille
- Certified copies
- Aid to translation
- Cooperation between competent authorities (IMI)
- Relationships with other instruments



2. Implementing the Regulation



The Ad Hoc Committee

- Committee objectives
- Promotion of the Regulation (common text on the information of citizens)
- Finding solution to difficulties in application or differences in interpretation
- Discuss the implementation of IMI



The European e-Justice Portal

- Notification from Member States (language, list of public documents etc)
- Repository of public documents
- List of Central Authorities
- (Dynamic) multilingual standard forms



Future work

- Assessment provided for in Article 26 postponed
- EU funded project : DxB identity on the move
- SDG Regulation
- Ongoing work on electronic documents



Thank you! Merci!



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