



IAFL INTRODUCTION TO EUROPEAN FAMILY LAW CONFERENCE TUESDAY 3 DECEMBER

Session 1: 10.00 - 11.30

Packaging a family by agreement – how effective are agreements when it comes to regulating where children live and maintenance?

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Speakers: Bérangère Diot, France
Sarah Jane Boon, England
Melis Yoka Asova, Turkey

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Jen is an experienced Family and Divorce Lawyer based in Edinburgh, Scotland. She advises individuals on separation and divorce, pre-nuptial agreements, and cases with international elements. Jen is a Fellow of the International Academy of Family Lawyers (IAFL). She is also a mediator and often works alongside counsellors and other professionals. Jen adopts a holistic approach to helping individuals to resolve family law issues. She works with clients to find creative and practical solutions which will benefit them and their wider family. Jen is a member and former Vice Chair of the American Bar Association - Section of International Family Law (ABA SIL) and has been a member of the International Association of Young Lawyers (AIJA) since 2015.

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Bérangère is a partner at Cabinet Cadiou Poivey-Leclercq, a law firm in Paris specializing in family law. There are 4 partners, 6 associates and 2 assistants. She practices in family law with a focus on private international law and asset disputes.

Bérangère is a member of AIJA since 2019 and Vice-President of the International Private Client & Family law commission. She has been a member of the UIA since 2017 and is Secretary of the Next Gen network (Young lawyers).

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Sarah Jane was promoted to partner in 2018 and is named as a Leading Partner by the Legal 500 and Chambers Ultra High Net Worth.

Sarah Jane advises on all areas of family law, with a particular emphasis on high value financial claims that arise on divorce and applications to the English Court for financial settlement following an overseas divorce. Recently, she has developed particular expertise in cases involving cryptocurrency (including issues with the disclosure of such assets and the valuation of businesses operating with cryptocurrency).

Her clients include high profile individuals from the world of sport, entertainment and art as well as members of the aristocracy. Sarah Jane has a particularly well-established practice in wealth protection via nuptial and cohabitation agreements involving significant and complex asset structures.

Sarah Jane qualified as a Resolution trained mediator in 2021.

MELIS YOKA ASOVA
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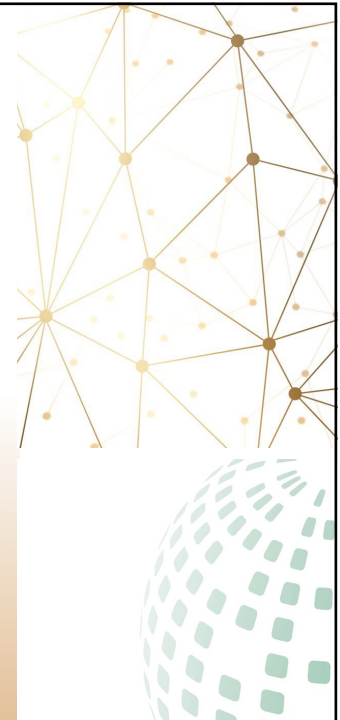


Melis is a senior lawyer at Yalcin & Toygar Law Office in Istanbul, Turkey, where she has been practicing for 9 years. Specializing in international family law, she has extensive experience handling complex divorce, custody, and child abduction cases.

Melis is also the co-author of the Turkey chapter in the Family Law Guide of Thomson Reuters Practical Law (Blue Book) and Chambers Global Practice Guides. Known for her expertise and commitment, Melis provides compassionate, knowledgeable legal support to families navigating challenging international legal matters.

PANEL 1: PACKAGING A FAMILY BY AGREEMENT

How effective are agreements when it comes to
regulating where your children live and maintenance?



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CASE STUDY

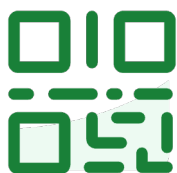
- Monique is French and her husband Charles is Dutch, they were living in London and have two children: Isabelle, 6 years old and Mienke, 11 years old
- They divorced in England and in their divorce agreement it was agreed that:
 - Monique will relocate with the children to Paris.
 - Charles to have access during all of the French school holidays.
 - Charles to pay €3000 child maintenance per child, per month.
 - Charles advises that Monique does not respect his access rights and he has not been able to avail of his access for the last set of school holidays.

Monique advises that Charles has stopped paying her child maintenance and he currently is a number of months in arrears in respect of maintenance.

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DISCUSSION – QUESTION 1

In your jurisdiction is there a regulatory body which determines the amount of child maintenance to be paid from one parent to the other?



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DISCUSSION – QUESTION 2

In your jurisdiction would you stipulate in a
agreement where (as in which country) a child will
be habitually resident?



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In your jurisdiction would you stipulate in a
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