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## ELECTRONIC APOSTILLE PILOT PROGRAM (e-APP) FOR EUROPE PROJECT

### Updated information on the Second Regional Meeting, Prague Czech Republic

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The Permanent Bureau of the Hague Conference on Private International Law and the Ministries of Justice of Spain and the Czech Republic present their compliments to the National and Contact Organs of the Members and to the Competent Authorities designated under the *Hague Convention of 5 October 1961 Abolishing the Requirement of Legalisation for Foreign Public Documents* (Apostille Convention) and have the honour to inform them that an updated version of the draft agenda for the *Second Regional Meeting* of the *e-APP for Europe* project, to be held in Prague (Czech Republic) on Friday 27 May 2011, has been made available on the Hague Conference website under “Latest developments” or via the “Apostille Section”, see the link “Second Regional Meeting, Prague”.

Interested persons are advised to register by using the “Registration Form” available on the Hague Conference website, and to book their accommodation as soon as possible. Please note that the deadline for registration is **13 May 2011**.

The Permanent Bureau of the Hague Conference on Private International Law and the Ministries of Justice of Spain and the Czech Republic avail themselves of this opportunity to renew to the National and Contact Organs of the Members and to the Competent Authorities designated under the Apostille Convention assurances of their highest consideration and esteem.

The Hague, 4 May 2011

*The e-APP for Europe is a transnational e-justice/e-administration project designed to develop best practices in relation to the Apostille Convention by promoting the e-APP, in particular the use of e-Registers of Apostilles. This is a joint initiative of the Permanent Bureau of the Hague Conference of Private International Law and the Ministry of Justice of Spain in association with the Ministries of Justice of Finland, France and the Czech Republic. The Project is funded by the European Commission under its "Civil Justice" programme. The 18-month project is comprised of three main interrelated elements: 1) The development and implementation of a central e-Register of Apostilles for all Competent Authorities in Spain; 2) The holding of three regional meetings across Europe to encourage all participating States to implement e-Registers (please see here for the Conclusions & Recommendations of the First Regional Meeting held in Helsinki on 14 February 2011); 3) The holding of the 6th International Forum on the e-APP (which took place on 29 and 30 June 2010). The Conclusions & Recommendations of the Forum are available here as well as on the "Apostille Section" of the Hague Conference website.*

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