

## Hague Conference and Mauritius sign an agreement to modernize intercountry adoption regime in line with the 1993 Hague Convention



On Friday 20 May 2016, the government of Mauritius and the Permanent Bureau of the Hague Conference on Private International Law signed an agreement to assist Mauritius with modernizing its intercountry adoption regime in line with the 1993 Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption.

Under the Agreement, an Expert will assist the Attorney General's Office with drafting a new intercountry adoption law. The Expert will also advise the Prime Minister's Office on an appropriate structure for a Central Authority, and provide training on the 1993 Hague Convention to the relevant authorities and bodies in Mauritius.

At the ceremony, which took place at the Permanent Bureau of the Hague Conference, the government of Mauritius was represented by H. E. Mr H. Dillum, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Netherlands. Mr Thomas John, Attaché to the Secretary General and Ms Laura Martínez-Mora, Principal Legal Officer, represented the Permanent Bureau of the Hague Conference.