

# CROSS-BORDER SUCCESSION WITHIN THE EU

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# I. The Action Plan

1. "One stop shop" for justice
2. A service for justice and for European citizens
3. A partnership between Member States and the EU institutions

<https://e-justice.europa.eu>



- bg** Европейски портал за електронно правосъдие
- cs** Portál evropské e-Justice
- da** Europæisk e-Justice Portal
- de** Europäisches Justizportal
- et** Euroopa e-õiguskeskkonna portaal
- el** Δικτυακή πύλη της ευρωπαϊκής ηλεκτρονικής δικαιοσύνης
- en** European e-Justice Portal
- es** Portal Europeo de e-Justicia
- fr** Portail e-Justice européen
- it** Portale europeo della giustizia elettronica
- lv** Eiropas e-tiesiskuma portāls
- lt** Europos e. teisingumo portalas
- hu** Európai igazságügyi portál
- mt** Portal Ewropew e-Justice
- nl** Europees e-justitieportaal
- pl** Europejski portal e-sprawiedliwość
- pt** Portal da justiça electrónica europeia
- ro** Portalul european e-justiție
- sk** Portál európskej elektronickej justície
- sl** Evropski portal e-pravosodje
- fi** Euroopan e-Justice-portaali
- sv** Europeisk e-juridikportal



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## Find a notary

**If you need to ensure legal security and effectiveness for a private document or enforce a deed or seek an arbitrator for a dispute or, even simply, obtain legal advice, you may need to turn to a notary. This section provides you with guidance on how to find a notary within the European Union (EU).**

**Notaries** are legal practitioners specialised and authorised to act in certain legal matters. By virtue of their tasks and responsibilities, notaries play an important role in the State legislature in the 21 Member States where the legal order is based on Latin civil law.

Their tasks in particular are:

- to draw up private agreements and to advise the parties while satisfying an obligation to treat each of them fairly. In drafting official documents, the notary is responsible for the legality of these documents and of the advice s/he gives. S/he has to inform the parties of the implications and consequences of the obligations they undertake,
- to enforce the deeds s/he draws up. The deed can then be registered directly in the official records, or enforced if one of the parties does not meet its obligations, without the prior intervention of a judge,
- to play the role of an arbitrator who, impartially, and under strict observance of the law, enables the parties to reach a mutually acceptable agreement.

To read more about the role of notaries, please see the section on [legal professions](#).

If you are looking for a notary in a European country, the [Council of the Notariats of the European Union](#) (CNUE) offers on its website an electronic directory service for a European notary. The CNUE is the official body representing the notarial profession in dealings with the European institutions.

This [search tool](#) will direct you to the national directories of notaries that list general information, such as: address, phone number, e-mail address, etc. Some of them also contain information about language skills. Some national directories are available in a variety of languages or are planning a search function in several languages.

In addition to the possibility of searching for a notary using the electronic directory service, it is also possible to contact the national Chambers by phone, fax or email, in order to find a notary. Contact details of the National Chambers can be found [here](#).

## II. Notaries and e-Justice

1. The directory of notaries
2. The European Network of Registers of Wills
3. Information sheets concerning wills
4. Information sheets relating to succession
5. The European Certificate of Succession

## 5. The European Certificate of Succession

- a) Electronic Certificate of Succession
- b) Interconnection of national registers

# III. Technical aspects

1. A decentralised technical system
2. Standardisation (e-codex)

# IV. Conclusions