Judicial cooperation in civil matters

- **General framework**
  - Civil judicial cooperation and agreements with non-EU countries
  - Family legal matters — negotiating agreements between EU and non-EU countries
  - The European Account Preservation Order for debt recovery between EU countries

- **Applicable law**
  - Convention on the law applicable to contractual obligations (Rome Convention)

- **Access to justice**
  - European e-Justice Strategy and Action Plan 2019-2023
  - Legal aid in criminal proceedings

- **Courts and international conventions**
  - European and international courts
  - Parental responsibility & protection of children (Hague Convention)
  - Legal certainty in international trade for EU businesses using choice of court agreements
  - EU involvement in efforts to unify the rules of private international law

- **Mutual recognition and enforcement of judgments**
  - Enhanced cooperation on matrimonial and registered partnership property issues
  - Mediation in civil and commercial matters
  - Court jurisdiction in legal cases involving different EU countries
  - More effective rules on insolvency proceedings across EU borders
  - Strengthening victims’ rights in the EU
  - European order for payment procedure
  - Matrimonial and parental judgments: jurisdiction, recognition and enforcement (Brussels IIa)
  - Strengthening cooperation with Switzerland, Norway and Iceland: the Lugano Convention
  - European small claims procedure (until 2017)
  - Maintenance obligations
  - Uncontested claims – European enforcement order

- **Cooperation between EU countries**
  - Transmission of judicial and extrajudicial documents between EU countries
  - Taking of evidence in civil and commercial matters
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▼ Applicable law
- The law applicable to non-contractual obligations
- Contractual obligations in the EU - determining which national law applies
- Law applicable to divorce and legal separation
- Jurisdiction and applicable law in succession matters and European Certificate of Succession

▼ Access to justice
- Legal aid in civil and commercial matters
- Compensation for victims of crime in other EU countries
- Promoting videoconferencing between EU countries in the area of justice