
Press Release

The digital transition, a key challenge for the future of Europe

Brussels, 1 December 2021 –The European Commission today presented a [Digital justice package](#). Among the proposals, the Commission will make digital the default option in cross-border judicial cooperation. The Council of the Notariats of the European Union (CNUE) fully supports this objective, which will be discussed at a conference on 7 December in Brussels and online, with representatives of the European institutions.

On 7 December 2021, the CNUE is organising an event entitled "Strengthening the rule of law in the face of economic and social change – The Notaries of Europe propose, The Notaries of Europe act", as part of the [Conference on the Future of Europe](#): www.notariesofeurope-conference.eu. On this occasion, the CNUE will present its [proposals](#) for citizens in the presence of representatives of the European institutions, in particular Věra JOUROVA, Vice-President of the European Commission. In the afternoon, the debates will be dedicated to the digital projects of European notariats, as well as to the European Commission's proposals for the digitisation of cross-border cooperation of judicial systems and the establishment of a digital identity and wallet for citizens.

What is the Conference on the Future of Europe?

The Conference on the Future of Europe is a joint initiative of the European Parliament, the Council of the EU and the European Commission. Its aim is to examine the medium and long-term future of the EU and the reforms needed to its policies and institutions. The Conference involves citizens, civil society and the European institutions. It was officially launched on 9 May 2021 and is expected to reach conclusions by spring 2022, during the French Presidency of the EU Council. Its conclusions will take the form of recommendations and guidelines to the three institutions for a Europe closer to its citizens.

What are the CNUE's proposals for the Conference on the Future of Europe?

There are [eleven proposals](#). Among them, the CNUE calls for the principle of preventive justice, which prevails in 22 of the 27 Member States of the European Union, to be taken more into account in European policy-making. The CNUE also puts forward proposals to put an end to double taxation in inheritance matters in Europe, to better protect vulnerable adults or to regulate digital inheritance in order to take into account the online assets of a deceased person. Finally, the CNUE calls on the Member States to set up registers and to interconnect them, for example in the following areas: protection of adults, matrimonial property regimes and registered partnerships, European succession certificates, powers of attorney, living wills, etc.

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The CNUE in brief:

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