

I INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE REVIEW OF REGULATION (EU) 650/2012 AFTER TEN YEARS OF APPLICATION

11 November- 12 November 2025
Colegio Notarial de Cataluña

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The areas of knowledge of Private International Law of the Universities Rovira i Virgili (Tarragona) and Lleida and the Notarial Association of Catalonia, are organizing in Barcelona, on the 11th and 12th of November, 2025, the I INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE REVIEW OF REGULATION (EU) 650/2012 AFTER TEN YEARS OF APPLICATION.

Given that August 17, 2025 will mark ten years since the European Succession Regulation has been applicable in its entirety, the organizers consider that this important milestone would be a good opportunity to assess its implementation. The main purpose of this scientific meeting is to combine both the theoretical reflection, with the practical experience collected to date. Indeed, over the course of these ten years, countless researches and studies have been published on the Regulation, aiming to explain and interpret its provisions. At the same time, a significant - and growing - number of judicial and extrajudicial resolutions have been issued in its application.

In this regard, the Conference program aims to follow the structure of Regulation 650/2012, placing special emphasis on those aspects that, during these ten years, scholars and, above all, case law have mainly dealt with. Consequently, the sessions of the scientific meeting will be structured around the main thematic axes of the instrument:

- Scope.
- Definitions.
- Jurisdiction.
- Applicable law.
- Recognition, enforceability and enforcement of decisions and documents.
- European Certificate of Succession.
- Other complementary provisions.

In the analysis of all these topics of discussion, in addition to the presence of experts from the academic field, it is intended to have the prominent participation of legal operators, in particular, notaries who, due to their professional activity, are in almost daily contact with the provisions of the Regulation.

The I INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE REVIEW OF REGULATION (EU) 650/2012 AFTER TEN YEARS OF APPLICATION is part of the research project: “The review of Regulation 650/2012, in matters of succession: application assessment and proposals for amendments”, which is funded by the Spanish Ministry of Science, Innovation and Universities (reference PID2023-149454NB-I00) and whose principal investigators are Diana Marín Consarnau (Universitat Rovira i Virgili) and Josep Maria Fontanellas Morell (Universitat de Lleida). The duration of the project is four years (2024-2028) and this Conference is the first international scientific meeting planned in its report of activities, which must continue in the coming years.

PROGRAM

Tuesday, 11 November 2025

15.45. Registration of participants

16.00. Opening of the Conference

- José Alberto Marín Sánchez, President Dean of the Notarial Association of Catalonia.
- Diana Marín Consarnau, Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Legal Sciences at the Universitat Rovira i Virgili and Co-Director of the Conference.

16.15. First panel. The implementation of Regulation 650/2012: an overview

Moderator: Cristina González Beilfuss. Universitat de Barcelona.

- **“Rapport général”**. Andrea Bonomi. Université de Lausanne.
- **“The preliminary rulings”**. Anna Wysocka-Bar. Jagiellonian University.

17.15. Discussion

17.40. Coffee break

18.05. Second panel. Scope and definitions

Moderator: Ángel Serrano Nicolás. Notary public in Barcelona.

- **“Champ d'application matériel”**. Naivi Chikoc Barreda. Université d'Ottawa.
- **“Concepto de tribunal”**. Luis Carrillo Pozo. Universidad de Almería.
- **“Las definiciones de resolución y de documento público”**. Maria Font i Mas. Universitat Rovira i Virgili.

18.50. Discussion

19.10. Communications

Moderator: Carmen Parra Rodríguez. Universitat Abat Oliba CEU.

Wednesday, 12 November 2025

9.45. Registration of participants

10.00. Third panel. Jurisdiction

Moderator: Miquel Gardeñes Santiago. Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.

- **“El foro general”**. Lucas Andrés Pérez Martín. Universidad de las Palmas de Gran Canaria.
- **“La autonomía de la voluntad en las reglas de competencia”**. Albert Font i Segura. Universitat Pompeu Fabra.
- **“Le rôle du for subsidiaire dans le système de distribution de compétences”**. Ilaria Pretelli. Institut Suisse de Droit Comparé.
- **“El foro especial de aceptación o renuncia a la herencia”**. Isabel Rodríguez-Uría Suárez. Universidad de Oviedo.

11.00. Discussion

11.20. Coffee break

11.45. Fourth panel. Applicable Law: basic rules

Moderator: Beatriz Añoveros Terradas. Universitat de Barcelona.

- **“Ley aplicable y el cometido de la regla general”**. Diana Marín Consarnau. Universitat Rovira i Virgili.
- **“La elección de ley: cuestiones abiertas (o mal cerradas)”**. Josep Maria Fontanellas Morell. Universitat de Lleida.
- **“The formal validity of written dispositions upon death between the European Succession Regulation and the Hague Form of Wills Convention”**. Pietro Franzina. Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore Milano.

12.30. Discussion

12.50. Communications

Moderator: Mònica Vinaixa Miquel. Universitat Pompeu Fabra.

13.50. Lunch

15.15. Registration of participants

15.30. Fifth panel. Applicable Law: specific issues

Moderator: Albert Font i Segura, Universitat Pompeu Fabra.

- **“Renvoi: enduring doubts”**. Afonso Patrão. Universidade de Coimbra.
- **“Libre disposición, legítimas y orden público en la Unión Europea”**. Nerea Magallón Elosegui. Euskal Herriko Unibertsitatea.
- **“La remisión a ordenamientos plurilegislativos”**. Silvia Feliu Álvarez de Sotomayor. Universitat de les Illes Balears.

16.15. Discussion

16.40. Round Table Discussion. Una evaluación desde la perspectiva notarial, con especial énfasis en el certificado sucesorio europeo

Moderator: Rafael Arenas García. Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.

Ponentes:

Víctor Asensio Borrellas. Notary public in Mataró.

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Jesús Gómez Taboada. Notary public in Barcelona.

Ángel Serrano Nicolás. Notary public in Barcelona.

Pablo Vázquez Moral. Notary public in Sant Feliu de Guíxols.

18.20 h. Discussion

19.00 h. End of the Conference

- Josep Maria Fontanellas Morell. Universitat de Lleida. Co-Director of the Conference.
- Pablo Vázquez Moral. Board Member of the Notarial Association of Catalonia and Co-Director of the Conference.

COMMUNICATIONS

A call is open for the presentation of communications related to any of the above-mentioned thematic areas.

Communications accepted will be presented in person during the seminar for approximately five or seven minutes each.

Applications to present a communication proposal must meet the following requirements:

- identification of the author and his/her academic category
- the subject to which the paper belongs
- the title of the communication
- an abstract of the communication, which should be between 300 and 500 words in length

The application should be sent to: reglamentosucesiones@urv.cat

Communications will be selected according to their relevance in terms of the chosen thematic area; quality in the treatment of the topic and originality.

The deadline for submission of communications will be open until September 12, 2025 and the scientific committee will decide on September 30, 2025.

Some of the accepted communications will be selected for publication in a collective work. The selected proposals will receive the rules of style for authors. In any case, it will have a maximum length of 10 pages, and must be presented in Word, with Times New Roman '12' font in the body text and 10 for notes, single spaced. They must be sent to the e-mail address reglamentosucesiones@urv.cat before 22 December 2025.

REGISTRATION

Those interested in attending to the Conference, either to present their communications or to attend the sessions, must send an email to cultura@catalunya.notariado.org with the following information:

- given and family name;
- university or institution to which the applicant is affiliated and in which category;
- academic or professional category;
- student, master's or doctoral status, if applicable;

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