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Who we are

MiKK is an NGO active in the field of cross-border family conflicts involving children.

We consult and support affected parents free of charge and refer them to specialized cross-border mediators to help parents find a solution in difficult situations that are often marked by escalated conflict dynamics.

We are committed to the welfare of children in particularly tough circumstances: children who are torn not only between parents in conflict with one another, but also between countries and cultures.

Why we exist

In Europe alone over 350,000 bi-national couples marry every year, and this number is on the increase. The number of bi-national separations and divorces is also increasing. Within the EU, more than 170,000 bi-national couples file for divorce each year.

In some cases one parent will return to their home country when their relationship fails, taking their children with them without the other parent's consent. Many parents do not realize that this constitutes child abduction and that they can be prosecuted for it under civil and criminal law.

In such situations, parents must not only deal with the conflicts in their relationship but also with international and foreign legal consequences.

Through accelerated proceedings in accordance with the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction, courts can order a swift return of the child to the country of the child's habitual residence.

These proceedings do not deal with the child's long-term welfare, however. In contrast, mediation gives parents the opportunity to address a wide range of issues to find solutions in the best interest of their child.



How we work

MiKK provides consultancy to parents, relatives and professionals concerned with international family conflicts involving children.

MiKK arranges and organizes mediation in international family conflicts involving children throughout the world.

MiKK trains family mediators in cross-border mediation, qualifying them for specialist work in bi-national mediation teams that represent the two cultures, languages and genders of the parents. MiKK mediators work together bi-professionally, drawing on their professional psycho-social and legal backgrounds as well as their specialized mediation training in order to meet the demands of these cases and to help the parents in question.

MiKK currently has a network of over 150 specialized and experienced family mediators who together can speak more than 30 languages. The success rate of mediations organized by MiKK is around 70%.

MiKK also provides consultation, mediation and support to couples and families planning to move to a foreign country and in need of relevant information on any aspect pertaining to their relocation.

Please call us for further information.

How we give support

MiKK informs affected parents about mediation in Hague Convention cases. We organize preventive mediation as well as mediation in cross-border custody and contact conflicts.

Mediation can help parents to communicate with each other in a safe and supported process. It can help them to take responsibility for finding fair solutions that focus on their children and their children's welfare.

