



EUROPEAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS  
COUR EUROPÉENNE DES DROITS DE L'HOMME

## Launch of the Superior Courts Network (“SCN”)

The SCN was officially launched on 5 October 2015 in Strasbourg. While the overall aim of the SCN is to enrich dialogue and the implementation of the Convention, the operational objective is to create a practical and useful means of exchanging relevant information on Convention case-law and related matters.

It was considered prudent to proceed initially on a test basis, so as to better identify expectations, needs and challenges. It was also considered wise to complete the test phase with a limited number of courts and, notably, the Host State superior courts.

Accordingly, a memorandum of understanding was signed on 5 October with the *Cour de Cassation* and the *Conseil d’État*. The SCN was thereby launched.

[Press release](#)

[Speech by President Spielmann](#) (in French only)

[Speech by Judge Villiger](#), the Adviser to the President on the Network

[Speech by Bertrand Louvel](#), Premier président de la Cour de Cassation (in French only)

[Memorandum of agreement - Cour de Cassation](#) (in French only)

[Memorandum of agreement - Conseil d’État](#) (in French only)