Superior Courts Network (“SCN”)
Message from President Raimondi

The European Court has always valued close dialogue with the superior national courts. Over the years, successive Presidents have fostered this through visits and other exchanges.

The establishment of the Superior Court Network (SCN) in October 2015 constituted a milestone in our dialogue with national courts. Above all, it responded to a need for concrete cooperation and exchanges of information between our courts.

The Network is now part of the Convention landscape. That it has developed so quickly shows an understanding by our respective courts that the way forward is through deeper dialogue, the recent entry into force of Protocol No. 16 being a further strong indicator in this regard.

I should like to pay tribute to the contribution of the superior court members to the success of the SCN and look forward to welcoming the remaining superior courts into the fold in the near future.