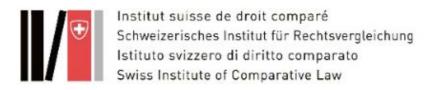


#### Family status, Identities and Private International Law

A Critical Assessment in the Light of Fundamental Rights



Zoom online conference 5 and 12 May 2022







#### THE PRACTICAL PROBLEM

#### Same-sex Marriages

Subject to the Public Policy
Exception



Introduced by
New Statutory
Rules

Sperm Donation, Egg Donation, Surrogacy

#### Global Governance



The U.S. fertility market is estimated to be valued at \$8 billion, inclusive of IVF, genetic testing, reproductive issue storage and donor services

#### Status Filiationis

#### Natural Filiation

A child is born to a mother (male, female, non-binary)

Legal Filiation

Parenthood is attributed by operation of law to the spouse (male, female, non-binary) of the mother, or by means of a unilateral declaration of recognition (sometimes the consent of the mother is required)



#### Contractual Filiation

Parenthood is attributed by means of the implementation of a private agreement between several parties

#### Private International Law

#### 19th century Recht über Recht

Mere Technique of Allocation Myth of Ideological Neutrality

20th century
Private International Law is
Shaped on Substantive Law



#### 21st century

Substantive Law is Influenced by Private International Law (Method of Recognition of Legal Situations Created Abroad)

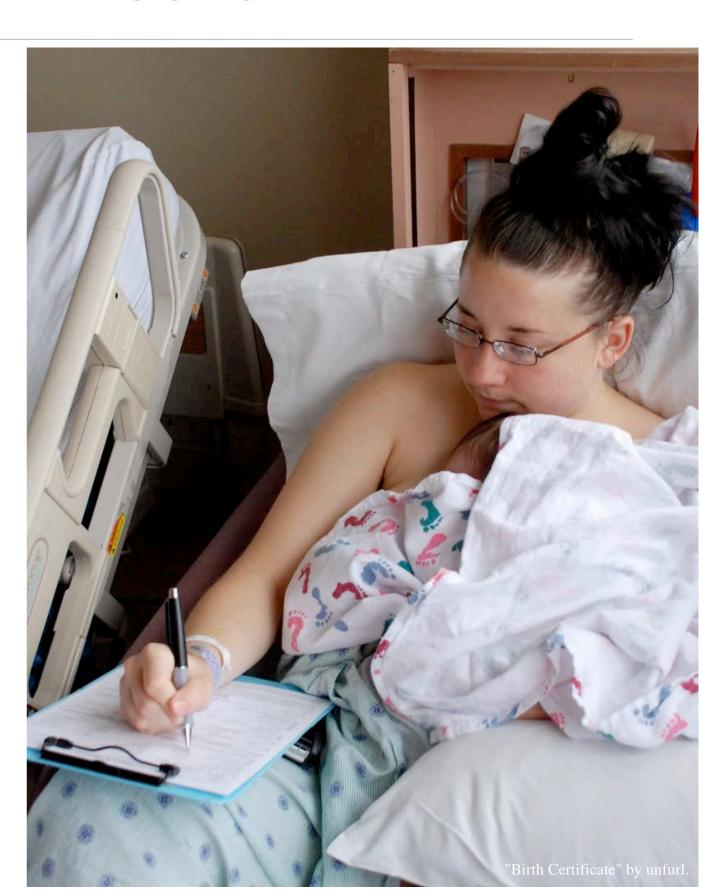
#### LAW AND LANGUAGE

"Whoever is a parent in a HAVE Member State should be a parent in all Member States".

EUROPEAN CERTIFICATE OF



**FILIATION** 

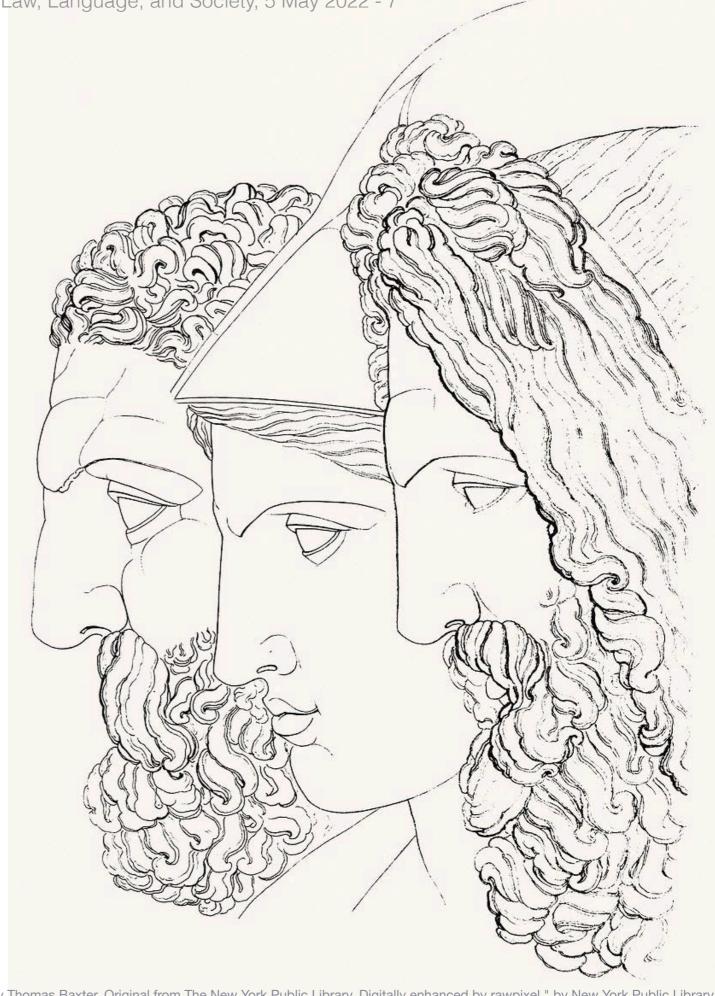


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#### Patria Potestas

# Vitae necisque potestas endo filio

"Express your desire and ordain that Lucius Valerius be the son of Lucius Titius as justly and lawfully as if he had been born of that father and the mother of his family, and that <u>Titius have that power of life and death over Valerius which a father has over a son</u>. This, just as I have stated it, I thus ask of you, fellow Romans."



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## Adoption

### and Kafalah





#### From Parental Authority...







Obedience

**Correctional Powers** 

Zahlvaterschaft

« La fille est considérée comme étrangère à la personne dénoncée (le père biologique) et n'a droit à aucune indemnité, car elle est le résultat d'un acte illégitime cautionné par sa mère » (Cour de cassation du Maroc - cas de viol)



...to Parental
Responsibility
and
Universal
Rights of
Children

"Through the eyes of a child" by robynejay

1989
New York
Convention
on the Rights
of the Child



Article 7 (1)

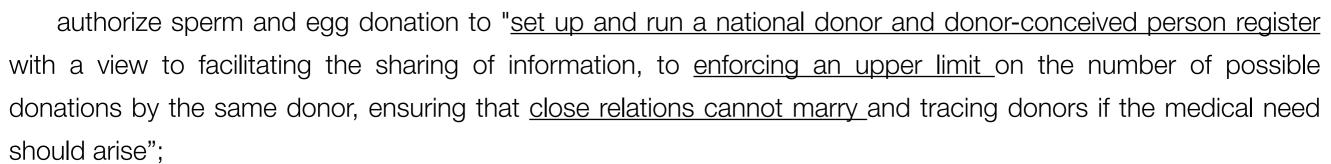
The child shall be registered immediately after birth and shall have the right from birth to a name, the right to acquire a nationality and, as far as possible, the right to know and be cared for by his or her parents

Article 8 (1)

States Parties undertake to respect the right of the child to preserve his or her identity, including nationality, name and family relations as recognized by law without unlawful interference.

#### Council of Europe's Recommendation 2156 (2019)

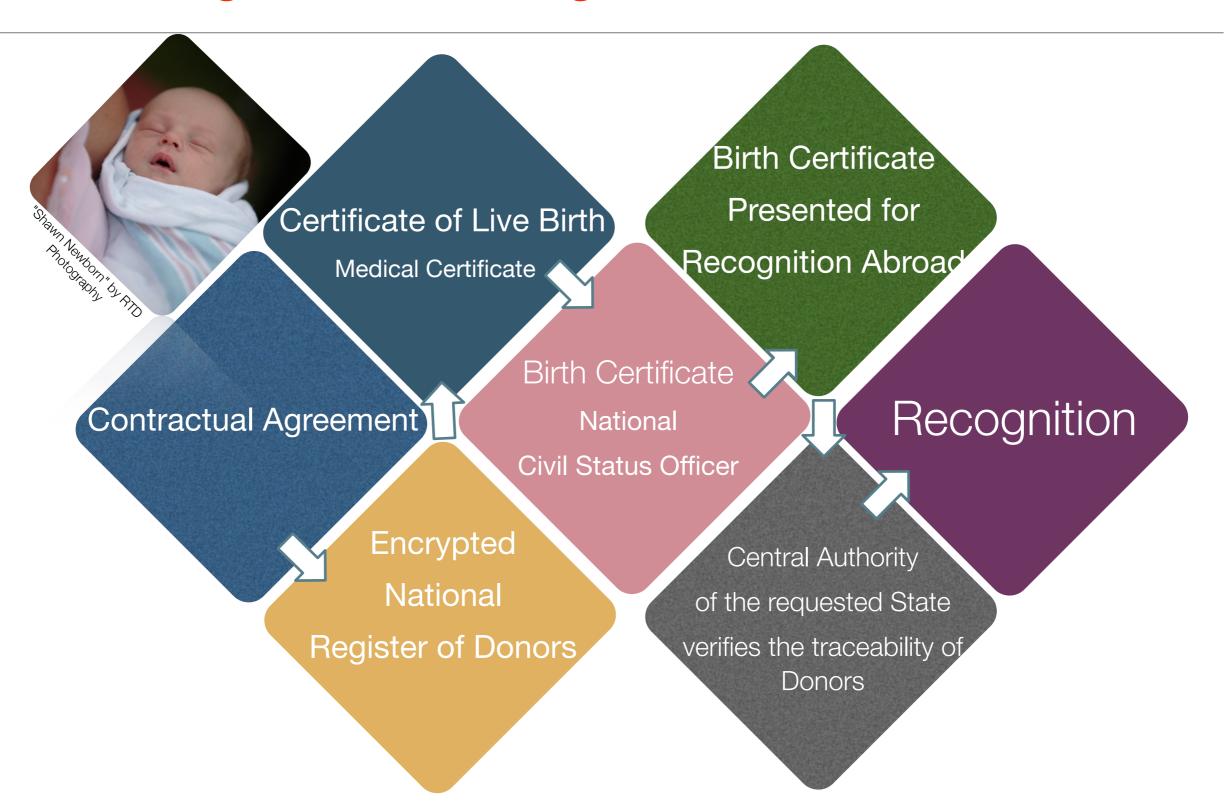
- Gamete donation must remain a voluntary and altruistic act,
- Waiver of anonymity;
- Prohibition to use anonymously donated sperm and oocytes;
- Prohibition on donors contacting their genetic offspring;
- Right of the person conceived through donation to contact the parent and any siblings, under certain conditions;
- Requirement for Council of Europe member states that



- Obligation for clinics and service providers to keep adequate records and make them available to national registries;
- Introduction of a "mechanism to ensure the cross-border exchange of information between national registries"



### Recognition of Foreign Contractual Filiation





Struggles of families

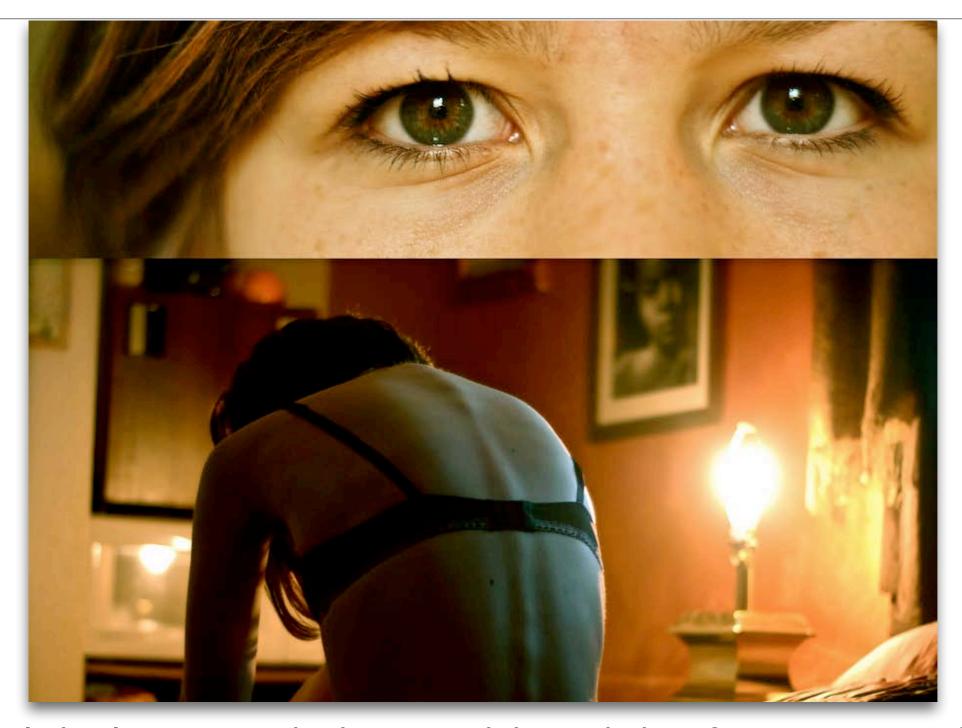






"Heavy is the Hand" by Joe Parks; An Orthodox Family" by Government Press Office (GPO); "Rainbow Families at the Twin Cities Pride Parade 2011" by Fibonacci Blue; "Dinner In Suburbia" by makelessno

#### Violence against women



the global sex trade is considered the fastest growing form of commerce all over the world

#### Mother, Father and Third Parent



Thank you for your patient attention