

International Forum on eNotarization and eApostilles

May 30–31, 2005

As previously announced, the Hague Conference on Private International Law (HCCH) and the International Union of Latin Notaries (IULN) are jointly organizing an International Forum on eNotarization and eApostilles, which will be hosted by the National Notary Association (NNA) of the United States of America and will be held on 30 and 31 May 2005 in Las Vegas (Bally's), Nevada, USA.



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International Union of
Latin Notaries
Unión Internacional
Del Notariado Latino



National Notary Association
United States of America

We are pleased to provide you with the following
provisional Program of the Forum:



DAY 1 • May 30, 2005

9:30 am – 12:30 pm • 2:30 pm – 5:30 pm

Official Opening

Welcoming comments and general remarks by:

Milt Valera, President of the National Notary Association, USA;

Hans van Loon, Secretary General of the Hague Conference on Private International Law; and

Giancarlo Laurini, President of the International Union of Latin Notaries

Christophe Bernasconi,

First Secretary, Hague Conference on Private International Law

General framework and operation of the Apostille Convention now and in the future:
from a paper-based to an electronic environment

William Kennair,

Scrivener Notary, London, England,

The impact of e-technology on notarial acts: legal and technical possibilities and limits —
relevance for Apostille Convention

Mario Miccoli,

Secretary of the International Union of Latin Notaries, Italy;

with the participation of **Ugo Bechini** and **Michele Nastri**, *Italian Notaries*

E-Notarization: the Latin Notary experience, in particular the Italian framework, and its
potential impact on eApostilles

Rudolf Kaindl, *Austrian Bar of Notaries*

Alfred Moser, *Siemens Business Services*, Austria

cyberDOC: Europe's first central electronic document archive for notarial acts

Hugo Ricardo de la Rosa Guzmán

Director General de Normatividad Mercantil de la Secretaría de Economía, Mexico

Sistema Integral de Gestión Registral (SIGER): from paper and stamps
to an electronic database for notarial acts*

**This presentation will be in Spanish*

Richard Hansberger,

Director of eNotarization, National Notary Association, USA

The NNA's Electronic Notary Seal Program: creating and managing notarial acts
electronically in real-time

Jeffrey Kovar,

Assistant Legal Adviser for Private International Law, Department of State, USA

US pilot project: Using off-the-shelf technology to issue electronic Apostilles

Each of these presentations will be followed by a *Question & Answer* period.

DAY 2 • May 31, 2005

9:00 am – 10:30 pm

Wayne Braid

Secretary/Executive Director of The Society of Notaries Public of British Columbia, Canada;

Kenneth R. Sherk,

Notary Public, British Columbia, Canada

E-Notarization: the experience in British Columbia and its potential relevance for eApostilles*

**The Apostille Convention is not in force in Canada*

Richard Hansberger,

Director of eNotarization, National Notary Association, USA

Not a case of rocket science: Electronic Registers under the Apostille Convention

Jeffrey Talpis,

Notary, Professor at the Université de Montréal, Canada

Legal issues raised by e-technology in relation to eNotarization and eApostilles: setting the stage for the break-out sessions

10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Break-out sessions – each group will be chaired by one of the international experts

2:30 pm – 5:30 pm

Various chairs *[to be confirmed]*

Presentation of the results of the break-out sessions by the Chairs of each break-out group

Plenary Discussion

Discussion and adoption of the **Forum-Conclusions**

Official closing of the Forum

Please note that the final program will be made available prior to the Forum.