

Measures taken by the Governement

COUNTRY	LIMIT	NO LIMIT	SPECIFICITIES
ALBANIA	Х		- Social distancing
			- Movement: 1 hour in the week (no in the WE)
			- Only hospital and food services
			- The Ministry of Justice have provided no measures at all, or any form of economic
			assistance, such as subsidize it or any kind of support to suspended private
			enforcement activity.
ARMENIA	Х		- Decision "On declaring a state of emergency in the Republic of Armenia,"
			- Since the enforcement officer is a state body, their expenses including the salary
			are covered by the state budget
BELGIUM	Х		- Decree of 18 and 23 march that authorized the judicial officer to work: essential
			part of the continuation of the country
BULGARIA	Х		- 24.03.2020: Law on emergency measures: The time limits (deadlines) for
			enforcement proceedings cease to run, public sales and evictions were suspended
			- The state is going to pay 60% of the employees' salaries, and the rest of 40 % are
			going to be paid by the employer.
ESTONIA	Х		- Blocked national borders and restricted all public meetings (including closing
			shopping centers for to exclude crowds)
			- No special measures concerning enforcement proceedings.
FINLAND	Х		- Limited public gatherings to no more than ten persons
			- Advised persons over the age of 70 to avoid unnecessary contact with other
			people
			- Social Distancing
			- The primary modes of contacting all the judicial authorities currently are the
			telephone, email and electronic services.



		 The Ministry of Justice is currently preparing a bill in which a creditor's right to apply for a debtor's (companies or enterprises) bankruptcy could be temporarily limited during the corona crises. The Ministry of Justice has also on it's website (www.om.fi) listed the contact information to different bodies in the matter of a debtor's financial difficulties, such as the guarantee foundation or the enforcement authority
FRANCE	X	 Law 20.03.2020 Decree 2020-336 / 25.03.2020 : extension of time limits during the period of public health emergencies and the adaptation of procedures during that period : The reference period begins on 12 March 2020 (retroactive scope) and ends one month after the date of the end of the state of public health emergency. As of 16 March, it was announced a deferral of all the professional contributions called near the judicial officers and this until further notice
GERMANY		
GEORGIA	X	- Resolution # 181 of the Government of Georgia "On the Approval of Measures to be Implemented in connection with the Prevention of the Spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Georgia
GREECE	x	- It has been legislated by the Government the support for the profession of judicial officers as well as for other professions, which includes the suspension of taxes and insurance contributions, support for their employees who will be made available or will be dismissed, with a payment of € 800 for the period until the end of April 2020. There is a promise (but not yet certain) by the Government that the sum of €800 will be paid to all judicial officers for the same period.
HUNGARY	x	- The government of Hungary on March 24, 2020, issued the government decree 57/2020 (III.23) on the measures to be taken in the framework of judicial execution during the period of orderly state of emergency in order to prevent the epidemic which endangers the security of people and property, causes mass disease, and in order to deal with the consequences and protect the health and life of Hungarian citizens.
ITALY	Х	- The Italian Government has adopted, between February and April of this year, numerous measures contained in three Decree-Laws.



		 The last of them is Decree-Law number 18 of 17.03.2020, known as "Cura Italia" Decree. It contains complex interventions regarding the Nation Health Service's reinforcement; it also includes economic measures to assist families, workers and companies. This Decree applies to the entire national territory and has to be turned into law by the Italian Parliament in appr. 60 days. Art. 83 intervenes also in the Civil Justice field. This intervention aims to achieve two principal goals: to suspend and postpone all procedural activities so as to reduce the possibility of infection; to neutralize the negative effects on the protection of the rights, due to the postponement of most procedural activity. Law-Decree of 6.04.2020, containing urgent measures for businesses, strategic sectors, elections and justice, the Government provided for the postponement of the term from 15 April to 11 May.
KOSOVO*	X	 The payment of judicial fees also needs to be done by electronically. The Government of Kosovo decided to reduce the staff members within every public and private office, including Government institutions and private businesses (with the exception of pharmacies, supermarkets, bakeries, and some necessary service providers). In line with this, our Ministry of Justice and our Chamber - acting together, have decided to reduce the number of people working in the enforcement offices thus aiming to stop or reduce the spread out of the Corona Virus! The Government of Kosovo (through the Central Bank) decided that all the bank credits payable for now, should be cancelled until the end of April 2020; all the utilities' bills to be paid during this period, should be delayed until the end of April 2020; all the tax obligations (by the citizens or businesses) towards the Tax Administration, should be delayed until the end of April 2020; etc Fiscal Package prepared by the Government to the private business (taking into account they have shut off their operations), hoping that we will be able for the - judicial officers' offices to be included in this financial package



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LATVIA	X	 Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Latvia has adopted an Order No. 103 of 12 March 2020 on Declaration of the Emergency Situation The Council of Sworn Bailiffs and the Council of Sworn Notaries may determine conditions according to which a sworn bailiff and a sworn notary may decide on suspension of the official activities if the fulfilment of the official activities is not related to a significant violation of the rights or an objective urgency and the fulfilment of such activities for the persons involved may be related to an increased risk to become infected with COVID-19.
LUXEMBURG	X	 Grand-Ducal Regulation of 20 March 2020 amending the Grand-Ducal Regulation of 18 March 2020 introducing a series of measures as part of the fight against Covid-19 (<u>http://legilux.lu/eli/etat/leg/rgd/2020/03/20/a174/jo</u>) Grand-Ducal Regulation of 25 March 2020 suspending time-limits in judicial matters and temporarily adapting certain other procedural arrangements. (<u>http://legilux.lu/eli/etat/leg/rgd/2020/03/25/a185/jo</u>)
MOLDOVA	X	 Disposition nr.6 of 26 March 2020 of the Commission for Exceptional Situations of the Republic of Moldova The lawyers, the notaries, the judicial officers are obliged, during the period of emergency, to ensure the continuity of the activity, in compliance with the epidemiological sanitary norms. Starting with March 27, 2020, non-compliance with this obligation for the entire duration of the state of emergency constitutes a disciplinary offense that is sanctioned with exclusion from the profession, under the conditions and the procedure established by the legislation in force, applicable to each profession. The termination of the state of emergency does not remove the disciplinary responsibility according to the provisions of this Disposition. The national organization in the field of enforcement shall take the necessary measures in order to coordinate the activity of the members of the profession during the establishment of the state of emergency, shall verify compliance with the obligations set out and shall take the measures provided by the legislation in force.
MONTENEGRO	X	- On 16th March this year, our Government adopted the orders for provisional measures on prevention and suppression of this virus



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QUEBEC	Х	- A decree signed by the Minister of Justice and authorized only during the period of the crisis
ROMANIA	Х	- In Romania, a state of emergency was declared due to the Coronavirus pandemic on March 16, 2020
SLOVAKIA	Х	 Act No. 62/2020 Coll. Until now, the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic has provided us with face masks (which are produced in prison institutions).
RUSSIA	Х	- Federal law of 2 October 2007 No. 229-FZ "On enforcement proceedings" provides the significant number of the different ways of notification of enforcement proceedings' parties even if it is impossible to deliver personally or send notifications by post.
SPAIN		
THAILAND	Х	- the Government's announcement of the Emergency Decree taking place from 26th March – 30th April 2020, in order to protect the involving people: creditors, debtors, lawyers, etc., and our staffs from the fatal virus, as well as to avoid the risk of virus spreading rapidly in the country
THE NETHERLANDS	X	- There have been no direct measures taken by the government regarding enforcement. The government has appointed the Enforcement Officers as a vital profession, which allows the family and children of the Enforcement Officers to still receive help form public service.