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## Legal aid and the role of the central authority in cross-border maintenance cases

Do the new instruments represent any practical improvement? The scope of the legal aid and assistance of the central authority provided under instruments of international private law (Convention on Recovery of Maintenance Abroad, Hague Convention 2007 and Maintenance Regulation 4/2009). The different approach of the central authorities in providing legal aid and other assistance to the parties, especially to the different groups of creditors.