Self-evaluation questions to the Chapter XI

“International and EU Perspective on Mediation: Common Principles in Cross Border Family Mediation”

1. From which main sources of international law and European Union law can the principle of the “best interests of the child” be inferred from?

2. Do continental states of Europe have mandatory mediation proceedings as a condition to seize a court of law?

3. What are the relationships between mediation and the right to access a court of law?

4. Is there a need to protect spouses or partners in event of non-mandatory family mediation?

5. Is the idea of “mandatory family mediation” consistent with mediation theories?