WHEREAS the notary is an authority working for the safety, assistance and support of natural persons at all the stages of their lives and in all patrimonial, personal and family situations;

CONSIDERING the place and development of natural persons in society, the new lifestyles of natural persons, namely the increased mobility, the internationalization, the digitalization and cultural and social changes;

CONSIDERING the need for legal certainty, a recipe for social peace to which the notary can respond in his capacity as a trusted third party;

CONSIDERING the extent and the constant increase in requests for notarial services by natural persons;

The 29th International Congress of Notaries recommends to:

1°) strengthen and/or introduce:
   - notary intervention to secure the contractual process relating to the conception and parentage of a born child or a child to be born, and to better protect his rights as well as those of his parents;
   - the notary’s mission in the acknowledgement of the different filiation methods and particularly the adoption, through the drawing up of a notarial deed;
   - the role of the notary in voluntary jurisdictions;
   - the intervention of the notary in the regulation of social relationships through the implementation of alternative dispute resolution methods, the prevention of family disputes and the ratification of agreements with mutual consent;
   - the notary’s contribution to the protection of human rights and property of individuals in circumstances of vulnerability due to their age or disability;
   - the notary's role in assisting, supporting and safeguarding the interests of people in vulnerable situations;

2°) Promote notarial services and encourage the dissemination of clear and accessible information to people on the nature and advantages of the notary's intervention, through communication from professional institutions;

3°) Take all measures to ensure the accessibility of the notarial service throughout the country;

4°) Take into account the new lifestyles of natural persons, in particular the increased mobility, internationalization, digitalization and cultural and social changes in order to promote equal rights.