



**ON ACCOUNT OF THE DEATH OF HIGHLY RESPECTED  
INTERNATIONAL JUDGE JEAN-PAUL COSTA**

The death of Jean-Paul Costa, a renowned French jurist and highly respected international judge, has brought great sorrow to the legal world. This loss is very painful for Georgia, to which Mr. Costa was tied through many years of fruitful cooperation and friendship.

Jean-Paul Costa was a high-ranking, noble man with lots of regalia, who pursued a multifaceted career in the professional, academic, social and public arenas. Sadly, from now on, he will no longer continue with his physical presence and activities among us. Instead, he has forever made his place in our grateful memory and, more importantly, in the history of the world's legal thought and experience. The death of Jean-Paul Costa is indeed a great loss for the international justice system. It is rare to find another case or example where a judge mastered and used legal and political modes of thinking and techniques of argumentation so skilfully as the object of our grief. This is clearly demonstrated in the decisions he signed off and the so-called “dissenting opinions”, both within his mother country and the jurisdiction of the European Court of Human Rights. This is also borne out by his academic work and achievements.

On behalf of the Georgian legal community, the Ministry of Justice of Georgia and the Editorial Board of Iustitia journal express their deepest condolences to the family of the deceased, his spouse Mrs Brigitte and his children.

We fully share the sorrow of French legal and political circles.

In conclusion, we invite our readers to become familiar with the life journey of Jean-Paul Costa, so as not to overlook the important aspects of his rich and multifaceted work.

*For information: Jean-Paul Costa died on 27 April 2023 and was buried in Strasbourg.*

May God's grace accompany the bright memory of Jean-Paul Costa.

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