

Biography:

Philomena Creffield

Since October 2015 Philomena Creffield has been the Head of the UK Central Authority, with responsibility for delivering judicial cooperation globally. She is also a Deputy Director of the International Directorate at the Home Office. She is the UK Head of Delegation for the Roma-Lyon Group and represents the UK on the Quintet mutual legal assistance working group.

Philomena's career has mainly been as a lawyer. She was previously a specialist in extradition for the Crown Prosecution Service where she also gained experience of criminal prosecution work. Alongside this she also worked for HS2, supporting work on the national High-Speed Train project between London and the North of England. Prior to that Philomena was a nationally recognised expert in personal injury, regularly publishing articles and designing training for legal professionals.

Before qualifying as a lawyer she worked for an NGO, where she carried out social policy work for Child Poverty Action Group.