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Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights

Draft Agenda¹

for the meetings to be held in Strasbourg (Palais de l'Europe) on:

- Tuesday 23 January 2018 at 8.30-10am (Room 10)
- [Tuesday 23 January 2018 at 3-3.30pm (Room 10)²]
- Wednesday 24 January 2018 at 2-3pm (Room 10)
- [Wednesday 24 January 2018 at 3-3.15pm (Room 10)³]
- Thursday 25 January 2018 at 9.15-10am (Room 10)
- Thursday 25 January 2018 from 2-3pm (Room 10)

Tuesday 23 January 2018 from 8.30-10am (Room 10)

1. **Agenda**
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2. **Election of the 2nd and 3rd Vice-Chairpersons of the Committee**
3. **Composition of the sub-committees:**
[lists]
 - i. Sub-Committee on Human Rights
 - ii. Sub-Committee on Crime Problems and the Fight against Terrorism
 - iii. Sub-Committee on the implementation of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights

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² Sub-Committee meetings will take place on Tuesday 23 January 2018 in Room 10 as follows :

3-3.10pm: Sub-Committee on Human Rights

3.10-3.20pm Sub-Committee on Crime Problems and the Fight against Terrorism

3.20-3.30pm Sub-Committee on the implementation of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights

³ The Sub-Committee on Human Rights will meet again on Wednesday 24 January 2018 in Room 10 from 3 – 3.15pm

**This draft agenda, addressed to members of the Committee and their alternates,
is the convocation to the meeting**

Copy to Secretaries of national delegations, of observer and partner for democracy
delegations and of political groups

4. **Appointment of representatives of the Committee**

Appointment of members and substitutes to represent the Committee at meetings of the following bodies in 2018 in the framework of the Assembly's institutional representation (proposals to be submitted to the Bureau):

- i. European Commission for Democracy through Law ("Venice Commission")
- ii. Council for Democratic Elections (of the Venice Commission)
- iii. Group of States against Corruption (GRECO)
- iv. Moneyval

5. **Appointment of rapporteurs**

[Appointment procedure document
Rapporteur table
[Doc 13970](#)]

For opinion:

The status of journalists in Europe

Rapporteur for the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media: Ms Elvira Drobinski-Weiß, Germany, SOC (appointed on 20.04.2016)

Re-appointment following the departure of Mr Philippe Mahoux, Belgium, SOC from the Assembly

6. **Václav Havel Human Rights Prize 2018: call for nominations**

[[Václav Havel Human Rights Prize website](#)
Václav Havel information sheet]

7. **Current human rights issues**

Open exchange of views

8. **The implementation of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights – 10th report**

Rapporteur: Mr Evangelos Venizelos, Greece, SOC
[AS/Jur (2018) 04]

Consideration of an introductory memorandum

Hearing 9.15-10am

9. **How can inappropriate restrictions on NGO activities in Europe be prevented?**

Rapporteur: Mr Yves Cruchten, Luxembourg, SOC

Protecting human rights defenders in Council of Europe member States

Rapporteur: Mr Egidijus Vareikis, Lithuania, EPP/CD
[AS/Jur (2018) 05]

Consideration of an introductory memorandum

Hearing with the participation of:

Mr Nils Muižnieks, Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of Europe

Ms Anna Rurka, President of the Conference of the INGOs of the Council of Europe

Mr Konstantin Baranov, member of the board of the International Youth Human Rights Movement, Russia

Tuesday 23 January 2018 from 3pm-3.30pm (Room 10) (for information – Sub-Committee meetings)

- i. Sub-Committee on Human Rights (3-3.10pm)
- ii. Sub-Committee on Crime Problems and the Fight against Terrorism (3.10-3.20pm)
- iii. Sub-Committee on the implementation of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights (3.20-3.30pm)

Wednesday 24 January 2018 at 2-3pm

10. **The case for drafting a European Convention on the profession of lawyer**

Rapporteur : Ms Sabien Lahaye-Battheu, Belgium, ALDE

[[Doc. 14453](#) + amendments]

Consideration of amendments to the draft resolution

11. **Fighting organised crime by facilitating the confiscation of illegal assets**

Rapporteur: Mr Mart van de Ven, Netherlands, ALDE

[AS/Jur (2018) 03]

Consideration of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution

Wednesday 24 January 2018 at 3-3.15pm (Sub-committee on Human Rights – for information) (Room 10)

Thursday 25 January 2018 from 9.15-10am (Room 10)

12. **Sub-Committee on Human Rights**

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Report by the Chairperson of the Sub-Committee on the meeting held in Strasbourg on Wednesday 24th January 2018.

13. **Ombudsman Institutions in Europe – the need for a set of common standards**

Rapporteur : Lord Richard Balfe, United Kingdom, EC

[AS/Jur (2018) 02]

Consideration of an introductory memorandum

Exchange of views with Mr Jan Helgesen, member of the Venice Commission in respect of Norway and Chair of the Scientific Council

14. **Work programme of the Committee: Priorities for 2018**

[AS/Jur/Inf (2018) 02]

Exchange of views

15. **Replies from the Committee of Ministers to recommendations emanating from the Committee**
[AS/Jur (2018) 06, [Doc. 14445](#)]
16. **Other business**
AS/Jur/Inf (2018) 01
AS/Jur/Inf (2018) 03.

Thursday 25 January 2018 from 2-3pm (Room 10)

17. **Jurisdictional immunity of international organisations and rights of their staff**
Rapporteur: Mr Volker Ullrich, Germany, EPP/CD
[\[Doc. 14443\]](#)+ amendments
Doc. ... (opinion AS/SOC)]

Consideration of amendments to the draft resolution
18. **Strengthening international regulations against trade in goods used for torture and the death penalty**
Rapporteur: Mr Vusal Huseynov, Azerbaijan, EPP/CD
[\[Doc. 14454\]](#) + amendments

Consideration of amendments to the draft resolution
19. **Next meetings**

Plenary Committee:
- Paris, 14 March 2018 (Council of Europe Office)
 - Strasbourg, during the Assembly's 2nd part-session of 2018 (23-27 April 2018)
 - Place and date in May 2018 to be confirmed, (subject to approval by the Bureau and the availability of funds)
 - Strasbourg, during the Assembly's 3rd part-session of 2018 (25-29 June 2017)
 - Paris, 10 September 2018 (Council of Europe Office) (to be confirmed)
 - Strasbourg, during the Assembly's 4th part-session of 2018 (8-12 October 2018)
 - Paris, 12 November 2018 (Council of Europe Office) (to be confirmed)
 - Paris, 11 December 2018 (Council of Europe Office) (to be confirmed)

SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS DURING THE ASSEMBLY'S 1st PART-SESSION:

Sub-Committee on Human Rights:

- Strasbourg, Tuesday 23 January 2018, 3-3.10pm (Room 10)
- Strasbourg, Wednesday 24 January 2018, 3-3.15pm (Room 10)

Sub-Committee on Crime Problems and the Fight against Terrorism:

- Strasbourg, Tuesday 23 January 2018, 3.10-3.20pm (Room 10)

Sub-Committee on the implementation of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights

- Strasbourg, Tuesday 23 January 2018, 3.20-3.30pm (Room 10)