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Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights

Draft Agenda

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

- Monday 24 June 2019 at 3.00 3.30pm (Room 10)
- Tuesday 25 June 2019 at 9.15-10am (Room 10)
- [Tuesday 25 June 2019 at 2.00-2.30pm (Room 10)¹]
- Tuesday 25 June 2019 at 2.30-3.30pm (Room 10)
- Wednesday 26 June 2019 at 2.00-3.30pm (Room 10)
- Thursday 27 June 2019 at 8.30-10am (Room 10)

Monday 24 June 2019, 3.00 - 3.30pm (Room 10)

1. Agenda

[AS/Jur (2019) OJ 05 Rev]

Adoption of the agenda

2. Minutes

[AS/Jur (2019) PV 04]

Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 28-29 May 2019 in Paris.

3. Improving the protection of whistleblowers all over Europe

Rapporteur: Mr Sylvain Waserman France, ALDE [AS/Jur (2019) 28]

Consideration of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution and a draft recommendation

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

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¹ Sub-committee on Human Rights

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4. World Forum for Democracy

[Concept Paper]

Proposal of members to the ad hoc committee of the Bureau attending the World Forum on Democracy on 6-8 November 2019 in Strasbourg

5. OECD Global Parliamentary Network (Paris, 10 October 2019)

[Draft programme]

Appointment of members to the ad hoc Committee of the Bureau to participate in the OECD Global Parliamentary Network (Paris, 10 October 2019), subject to a decision by the Bureau of the Assembly

6. Drug policy and human rights in Europe: a baseline study

Rapporteur: Ms Hannah Bardell, United Kingdom, NR [AS/Jur (2019) 25 Rev]

Request for authorisation of a questionnaire to be sent to national parliaments in the context of the report

Hearing:

7. The continuing need to restore human rights and the rule of law in the North Caucasus region Rapporteur: Mr Frank Schwabe, Germany, SOC [AS/Jur (2019) 10]

Hearing with the participation of:

Ms Joanna Evans, Barrister, Legal Director, European Human Rights Advocacy Centre (EHRAC) School of Law, Middlesex University, United Kingdom

Dr Rebecca Gowland, Associate Professor (Reader) in Human Bioarchaeology, Department of Archaeology, Durham University, United Kingdom

Mr Tim Thompson, Professor of Applied Biological Anthropology and Associate Dean (Learning & Teaching) School of Science, Engineering & Design, Teesside University, United Kingdom

Mr Fredrik Sundberg, Head of Department Ad Interim, Department for the execution of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights, Directorate General 1 – Human Rights and Rule of Law, Council of Europe

<u>Tuesday 25 June 2019, 2.00 – 2.30pm (Sub-committee on Human Rights– for information) (Room 10)</u>

Tuesday 25 June 2019, 2.30 - 3.30pm (Room 10)

8. Extradition requests and the abuse of process

Rapporteur: Mr Aleksander Pociej, Poland, EPP/CD [AS/Jur (2019) 27]

Consideration of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution

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

Rapporteur: Lord Richard Balfe, United Kingdom, EC [AS/Jur (2019) 30]

Consideration of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution and a draft recommendation

10. Participation of members in conferences, meetings, seminars etc

Reports by the following representatives:

- The Council for Democratic Elections (of the Venice Commission), 20 June 2019: Lord Richard Balfe, United Kingdom, EC (t.b.c.)
- 119th plenary session of the European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission), 21-22 June 2019: Mr Sergiy Vlasenko, Ukraine, EPP/CD (t.b.c.)

11. Hearings during the next meeting

Wednesday 26 June 2019, 2.00 - 3.30pm

12. Daphne Caruana Galizia's assassination and the rule of law, in Malta and beyond: ensuring that the whole truth emerges

Rapporteur: Mr Pieter Omtzigt, Netherlands, EPP/CD [Doc. 14906 + amendments]

Consideration of amendments to the draft resolution

13. Human rights and climate change

[AS/Jur/Inf (2019) 08 & motion for resolution]

Consideration and adoption of a committee declaration and, to be tabled on behalf of the committee, a motion for a resolution

14. Situation of Human Rights defenders in Council of Europe member States

General Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders: Mr Raphaël Comte, Switzerland, ALDE [AS/Jur (2019) 31]

Discussion of an information note

15. The principles and guarantees of advocates

Rapporteur: Mr Georgii Logvynskyi, Ukraine, EPP/CD [AS/Jur (2019) 29]

Consideration of an introductory memorandum

Thursday 27 June 2019, 8.30 - 10am (Room 10)

16. Sub-Committee on Human Rights

[AS/Jur/DH (2019) OJ 03 Rev]

Report by the Chairperson of the Sub-Committee on the meeting held in Strasbourg on Tuesday 25 June 2019,

17. The need to shed light on the background of the murder of Boris Nemtsov

Rapporteur: Mr Emanuelis Zingeris, Lithuania, EPP/CD

[Doc. 14902 + amendments]

Consideration of amendments to the draft resolution

Hearing:

18. Human rights and business – what follow-up to Committee of Ministers Recommendation CM/Rec(2016)3?

Rapporteur: Mr Elshad Hasanov, Azerbaijan, FDG [AS/Jur (2018) 36]

Hearing with the participation of:

Ms Jo Reyes, Director, Global Business Initiative on Human Rights (GBI), United Kingdom Ms Claire Methven O'Brien, Chief Adviser, Human Rights and Business, The Danish Institute for Human Rights, Copenhagen, Denmark

Ms. Anita Ramasastry, member of the United Nations Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises, Roland L. Hjorth Professor of Law and Director of the Graduate Program in Sustainable International Development at the University of Washington School of Law (Unites States) (via video conference)

19. Work Programme

[AS/Jur /Inf (2019) 02 Rev 3]

20. Other business

21. Next meetings

Plenary Committee:

- Strasbourg, during the Assembly's 4th part-session of 2019 (30 September 4 October 2019)
- Berlin, 14-15 November 2019 (Bundestag)
- Paris, 10 December 2019 (Council of Europe Office) (to be confirmed)

SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS DURING THE 3rd PART-SESSION:

Sub-committee on Human Rights

Strasbourg, Tuesday 25 June 2019, 2-2.30pm (Room 10)