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Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights

Draft Agenda

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

- Tuesday 1 October 2019 at 5.30pm-7pm (Room 10)
- Wednesday 2 October 2019 at 2pm-2.30pm (Room 10)¹
- Thursday 3 October 2019 at 8.30am- 10.00am (Room 5)

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

Rapporteur: Lord Richard Balfe, United Kingdom, EC

[[Doc. 14953](#) + amendments]

Consideration of amendments to the draft resolution and the draft recommendation

2. **Abolition of the Death Penalty: 17th World Day against the Death Penalty (via video conference)**

General Rapporteur: Mr Titus Corlăţean, Romania, SOC

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Exchange of views on the occasion of the International Day against the Death Penalty

¹ The Sub-Committee on Human Rights will meet on Wednesday 2 October 2019 in Room 10 from 2-2.30pm.

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

Copy to Secretaries of delegations and of political groups

3. Judges in Poland and in the Republic of Moldova must remain independent

Rapporteur: Mr Andrea Orlando, Italy, SOC

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Consideration of an introductory memorandum

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. Legal aspects of "autonomous" vehicles

Rapporteur: Mr Ziya Altunyaldiz, Turkey, NR

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Consideration of an introductory memorandum

Hearing

6. The 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

Hearing with the participation of

Mr Gerald Staberock, Secretary General, World Organisation Against Torture; Geneva, Switzerland

Ms Emma Sinclair-Webb, senior Turkey researcher, Europe and Central Asia division, Human Rights Watch, Istanbul, Turkey

Ms Elena Jiménez, Board member, Omnium Cultural, Barcelona, Spain

Renewal of the mandate of the General Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders (expiry 09.10.2019)

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

Rapporteur: Ms Hannah Bardell, United Kingdom, NR

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Exchange of views with:

Dr Alexandre Feltz, deputy to the Mayor of Strasbourg, in charge of health

Wednesday 2 October October 2019 from 2pm-2.30pm (Sub-Committee on Human Rights – for information)

Thursday 3 October 2019 from 8.30-10am**Hearing**

8. **Joint hearing with the Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by member states of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee) on:**
“Eradicating torture in Europe: exchange of views with the CPT on its Annual Report and recent Public Statements” (open to the public)

[\[Resolution 2264 \(2019\)\]](#)

[\[Recommendation 2146 \(2019\)\]](#)

[Doc. 14950](#)

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Hearing with the participation of:

Mr Mykola Gnatovskyy, President of the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT)

Mr Mark Kelly, 1st Vice-President of the CPT

Ms Eva Csergö, Europe and Central Asia Programme Officer, Association for the Prevention of Torture (APT) (video link)

Mr Piotr Tolstoy, Chairperson of the delegation of the Russia Federation (t.b.c.)

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

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Report by the Chairperson of the Sub-Committee on the meeting held in Strasbourg on 2 October 2019

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

Rapporteur: Mr Elshad Hasanov, Azerbaijan, NR

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Consideration of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution

11. **Incident in Kosovo² involving a Russian UNMIK official**

[Letter] (English only)

Follow-up

12. **Replies from the Committee of Ministers to recommendations emanating from the Committee**

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Reply by the Committee of Ministers to [Recommendation 2146 \(2019\)](#) on “Improving follow-up to CPT recommendations: enhanced role of the Parliamentary Assembly and of national parliaments”

Reply by the Committee of Ministers to [Recommendation 2147 \(2019\)](#) on “Protecting human rights during transfers of prisoners

13. **Participation of members in conferences, meetings, seminars etc**

Report by the following representative:

- 58th plenary meeting of MONEYVAL, 15-19 July 2018: Mr Titus Corlăţean, Romania, SOC (written report)

² All references to Kosovo, whether the territory, institutions or population, in this text shall be understood in full compliance with United Nation’s Security Council Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo.

14. Other business

15. Next meetings

Plenary Committee:

- Berlin, 14-15 November 2019 (Bundestag)
- Paris, 10 December 2019 (Council of Europe Office) (to be confirmed)

SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS DURING THE 4th PART-SESSION:

Sub-Committee on Human Rights:

- Strasbourg, Wednesday 2 October 2019 in Room 10 from 2-2.30pm