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18 January 2019

Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

Draft agenda (revised)

of the meeting to be held in Strasbourg on

- Monday 21 January 2019, from 2 to 3pm, room 3: committee meeting
- Tuesday 22 January 2019, from 8.30 to 10am, room 3: committee meeting
- Wednesday 23 January 2019, from 2 to 3.30pm, room 3: committee meeting
- Thursday 24 January 2019, from 8.30 to 10am, room 3: committee meeting
- Thursday 24 January 2019, from 2 to 3.30pm, room 3: joint meeting of the committee and the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence

Monday 21 January 2019, from 2 to 3 pm, room 3

1. Opening of the meeting by the oldest member present

2. Election of the Bureau of the Committee
[List of members of the Committee]

- Election of the Chairperson;
- Election of the Vice-Chairpersons.

3. Agenda
[AS/Ega (2019) OJ 01 rev]

Adoption of the revised draft agenda.

4. Minutes
[AS/Ega (2018) PV 08]

Approval of the draft minutes of the meeting of the committee held in Paris on 3 December 2018.

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

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5. Gender breakdown in Assembly positions in 2018

[AS/Ega/Inf (2019) 03]

Statement by the Chairperson.

6. Compatibility of Sharia law with the European Convention on Human Rights: can States Parties to the Convention be signatories of the “Cairo Declaration”?

Rapporteur for opinion: Mr Manuel Tornare (Switzerland, SOC)

[[Doc. 14787](#); AS/Jur (2019) 05 add; AS/Ega (2019) 04; AS/Pol (2019) 01; AS/Cult (2019) 04]

Approval of a draft opinion.

7. (Re)constitution of Sub-Committees

[AS/Ega/Inf (2019) 04]

Consideration of the proposal to reconstitute the Sub-Committee on the Rights of Minorities and the Sub-Committee on Disability, Multiple and Intersectional Discrimination.

Consideration of the proposal to constitute a Sub-Committee on Gender Equality.

8. Václav Havel Human Rights Prize 2019: call for nominations

[[Press release](#)]

Taking note of the press release.

Tuesday 22 January 2019, from 8.30 to 10am, room 3

9. Empowering women: promoting access to contraception in Europe

Rapporteur: Ms Petra Bayr (Austria, SOC)

[AS/Ega (2019) 06]

Consideration of an introductory memorandum.

10. The role and responsibilities of political leaders in combating hate speech and intolerance

Rapporteur: Ms Elvira Kovács (Serbia, EPP/CD)

[AS/Ega (2019) 05]

Consideration of a draft report.

11. Japan: Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment [at 9am]

Hearing with the participation of Ms Asako Osaki, Director of Gender Action Platform and of Plan International Japan.

12. The gender dimension of foreign policy

Rapporteur: Ms Petra Stienen (Netherlands, ALDE)

Statement by the rapporteur.

13. Commission on the Status of Women (CSW 63) (New York, United States, 11 - 22 March 2019)
[AS/Ega/Inf (2018) 17 rev.]

Exchange of views on the Committee's representation and participation; information about the programme.

Constitution of an *ad hoc* Sub-Committee to participate in the event organised by the Council of Europe (12 March 2019), at no cost to the Assembly, and approval of its composition.

Wednesday 23 January 2019, from 2 to 3.30pm, room 3

14. The protection of national minorities in Europe

Hearing with the participation of Mr Lamberto Zannier, OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities.

15. Discrimination in access to employment

Rapporteur: Mr Damien Thiéry (Belgium, ALDE)
[Doc. 14666; Amendments]

Consideration of possible amendments to the draft resolution.

16. For a disability-inclusive workforce

Rapporteur: Mr Adão Silva (Portugal, EPP/CD)
[Doc. 14665; Amendments]

Consideration of possible amendments to the draft resolution.

17. Achievements and challenges in implementing the Istanbul Convention on violence against women

Rapporteur: Ms Zita Gurmai (Hungary, SOC)
[AS/Ega (2019) 07]

Consideration of an information memorandum.

18. Assembly's institutional representation

Appointment of a Committee representative and a substitute to the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI) for 2019.

19. Work programme

[Letter; AS/Ega/Inf (2019) 01; AS/Ega/Inf (2019) 02]

i. Consideration of the work programme;

ii. Appointment of a rapporteur for report on:

- *Discrimination against Roma and Travellers in the field of housing*, motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Florian Kronbichler and other members of the Assembly [Doc. 14590];

iii. Appointment of a rapporteur for opinion on:

- *The protection of freedom of religion or belief in the workplace*, motion for a resolution tabled by Sir Jeffrey Donaldson and other members of the Assembly (Rapporteur of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights: Mr Davor Stier, Croatia, EPP/CD) [Doc. 14544];

iv. Declaration of interests:

Mr Boriss Cilevičs (Latvia, SOC) for his appointment as rapporteur on *Ethnic profiling in Europe: a matter of high concern* [Doc. 14545].

v. Appointment of a General Rapporteur on the rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex people (LGBTIs)
[AS/Ega/Inf (2019) 05; Letter]

Thursday 24 January 2019, from 8.30 to 10am, room 3

20. Sub-Committees

[Lists]

Approval of the composition.

21. Promoting the rights of persons belonging to national minorities

Rapporteur: Mr Viorel Riceard Badea (Romania, EPP/CD)
[Doc. 14779; Amendments]

Consideration of possible amendments to the draft resolution.

22. Obstetrical and gynaecological violence

Rapporteur: Ms Maryvonne Blondin (France, SOC)
[AS/Ega (2019) 03]

Hearing with the participation of Ms Özge Tunçalp, Scientist, Department of Reproductive Health and Research, World Health Organisation, Geneva, Switzerland.

Consideration of an information memorandum.

23. Stop hate speech and acts of hatred in sport

Rapporteur: Mr Goran Beus Richembergh (Croatia, ALDE)
[AS/Ega (2019) 01]

Consideration of a preliminary draft report.

24. Appointment of representatives (subject to the availability of funds)

[IC-CP(2019)OJ6 prov rev 1; ICRW(2019)1]

- Invitation to Ms Béatrice Fresko-Rolfo (Monaco, ALDE), in her capacity as General Rapporteur on Violence Against Women, to participate in the 6th meeting of Committee of the Parties Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (Istanbul Convention), which will take place on 25 January 2019 in Strasbourg (at no cost to the Assembly).
- Invitation to Ms Béatrice Fresko-Rolfo (Monaco, ALDE), in her capacity as General Rapporteur on Violence Against Women, to participate in the 7th International Roma Women's Conference on *Roma And Traveller Women's Access to Justice And Rights*, organised under the Finnish Presidency of the Committee of the Ministers of the Council of Europe, which will take place on 25-27 March 2019 in Hanaholmen Swedish-Finnish Cultural Centre, Espoo (Finland).

25. Reply from the Committee of Ministers

[AS/Ega (2019) 02]

[[Doc. 14782](#); [Rec. 2132 \(2018\)](#)]

Consideration of the reply of the Committee of Ministers to Assembly Recommendation 2132 (2018) on *Detainees with disabilities in Europe*.

26. Other business

27. Next meetings of the Committee

- Paris, 7 March 2019 (Council of Europe Office);
- Strasbourg, during the 2nd part-session 2019 of the Assembly (8-12 April);
- 5-6 June 2019 (place tbc);
- Strasbourg, during the 3rd part-session 2019 of the Assembly (24-28 June);
- Paris, 12 September 2019 (Council of Europe Office);
- Strasbourg, during the 4th part-session 2019 of the Assembly (30 September - 4 October);
- Paris, 4 December 2019 (Council of Europe Office).

Thursday 24 January 2019, from 2 to 3.30 pm, room 3: joint meeting of the committee and the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence

Hearing on Violence against women in Europe

[[IPU-PACE Study](#)]

Opening remarks by Ms Liliane Maury Pasquier, President of the Parliamentary Assembly.

Presentation of the joint IPU-PACE regional study on *Sexism, harassment and violence against women in parliaments in Europe* by Ms Kareen Jabre, Director, Directorate of Programmes, Inter-parliamentary Union (IPU).

Presentation on *Progress and challenges in the implementation of the Istanbul Convention* by Ms Feride Acar, President of the Group of Experts on Action against Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (GREVIO).

Exchange of views.