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**COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON ISSUES RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF  
NATIONAL MINORITIES  
(DH-MIN)**

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**AGENDA**

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**9th meeting  
1 April (10 am) - 2 April 2009 (6 pm)**

**Strasbourg  
Council of Europe  
Agora Building, Room G.2.**

- Item 1:** Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda
- Item 2:** Examination of the new terms of reference of the DH-MIN
- Item 3:** Presentation of the expert study of the replies to the questionnaire on the ethnic data collection, discussion and consideration of future work to be carried out on this theme
- Item 4:** Examination of the final text of the report prepared by Mr David Hine, Director, Centre for the Study of Democratic Government in Oxford on the *“Electoral systems, party law and the protection of national minorities”* (doc.ref.: DH-MIN(2006)013 prov3; English version only) with the view to its publication
- Item 5:** Expert presentations of the promotion of the use of languages of persons belonging to national minorities on behalf of Croatia, Moldova and Hungary
- Item 6:** *Tour de table* on recent developments regarding national minorities, including as regards signatures and ratifications of Council of Europe treaties relating to the protection of national minorities
- Item 7:** Examination of the draft questionnaire on the distribution of public financial support for projects concerning persons belonging to national minorities and their associations, followed by the consideration of future work to be carried out on this theme
- Item 8:** Presentation of the expert study of the replies to the questionnaire on the access of national minorities to the new media in the information society, discussion and consideration of future work to be carried out on this theme
- Item 9:** Presentation of the NGO declaration on the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities adopted on the occasion of the Conference “Enhancing the Impact of the Framework Convention: Past Experience, Present Achievements and Future Challenges” held in Strasbourg on 9 and 10 October 2008
- Item 10:** Consideration of future themes to be addressed by the DH-MIN on the basis of proposals by DH-MIN members
- Item 11:** Other business
- Item 12:** Dates of the next meetings
- Item 13:** Approval of the list of decisions adopted during the meeting