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COMMITTEE OF LEGAL ADVISERS ON PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW (CAHDI)

Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the CAHDI

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ELECTION OF THE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR OF THE CAHDI

1. The terms of office of Mr Paul RIETJENS (Belgium) and Ms Päivi KAUKORANTA (Finland), respectively Chair and Vice-Chair of the CAHDI, expire on 31 December 2015.
2. Resolution *CM/Res(2011)24 on intergovernmental committees and subordinate bodies, their terms of reference and working methods*¹ lists the rules applicable on this matter:

Article 12 – Chair

- a. Every committee shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair. However, the Chair of a subordinate body may be appointed by the steering or ad hoc committee to which it is answerable.
- b. The Chair shall conduct proceedings and sum up the conclusions whenever he or she thinks necessary. He or she may call to order a speaker who departs from the subject under discussion or from the committee's terms of reference. The Chair shall retain the right to speak and to vote in her/his capacity as a member of the committee, except in cases where an additional expert from the same country has been appointed to sit on that committee.
- c. The Vice-Chair shall replace the Chair if the latter is absent or otherwise unable to preside the meeting. If the Vice-Chair is absent, the Chair shall be replaced by another member of the Bureau, appointed by the latter or, where there is no Bureau, by a member of the committee appointed by the committee.
- d. Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair shall require a two-thirds majority at the first ballot and a simple majority at the second ballot². In steering committees, the election shall be held by secret ballot, in other committees by a show of hands, unless a member of the committee requests a secret ballot.
- e. The term of office of the Chair and Vice-Chair shall be one year. It may be renewed once.

3. In light of the above, the CAHDI is called upon to elect a Chair and a Vice-Chair for a period of one year, from 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2016.
4. The attached table lists the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the CAHDI since its creation.

¹ Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 9 November 2011, at the 1125th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies.

² Pursuant to Article 11 of Annex 1 to the Resolution, voting requires the quorum. According to Article 5 of Annex 1 to the Resolution, there shall be a quorum if two-thirds of the members of the committee are present.

Year	Meeting	Chair	Vice-Chair
2015	50	Mr Paul Rietjens (BE)	Ms Päivi Kaukoranta (FI)
	49	Mr Paul Rietjens (BE)	Ms Päivi Kaukoranta (FI)
2014	48	Ms Liesbeth Lijnzaad* (NL)	Mr Paul Rietjens* (BE)
	47	Ms Liesbeth Lijnzaad* (NL)	Mr Paul Rietjens* (BE)
2013	46	Ms Liesbeth Lijnzaad (NL)	Mr Paul Rietjens (BE)
	45	Ms Liesbeth Lijnzaad (NL)	Mr Paul Rietjens (BE)
2012	44	Ms Edwige Belliard* (FR)	-
	43	Ms Edwige Belliard* (FR)	Ms Concepción Escobar Hernández* (ES)
2011	42	Ms Edwige Belliard (FR)	Ms Concepción Escobar Hernández (ES)
	41	Ms Edwige Belliard (FR)	Ms Concepción Escobar Hernández (ES)
2010	40	Mr Rolf Einar Fife* (NO)	Ms Edwige Belliard* (FR)
	39	Mr Rolf Einar Fife* (NO)	Ms Edwige Belliard* (FR)
2009	38	Mr Rolf Einar Fife (NO)	Ms Edwige Belliard (FR)
	37	Mr Rolf Einar Fife (NO)	-
2008	36	Sir Michael Wood* (UK)	Mr Rolf Einar Fife* (NO)
	35	Sir Michael Wood* (UK)	Mr Rolf Einar Fife* (NO)
2007	34	Sir Michael Wood (UK)	Mr Rolf Einar Fife (NO)
	33	Sir Michael Wood (UK)	Mr Rolf Einar Fife (NO)
2006	32	Ms Dascalopoulou-Livada* (GR)	Sir Michael Wood* (UK)
	31	Ms Dascalopoulou-Livada* (GR)	Sir Michael Wood* (UK)
2005	30	Ms Dascalopoulou-Livada (GR)	Sir Michael Wood (UK)
	29	Ms Dascalopoulou-Livada (GR)	Sir Michael Wood (UK)
2004	28	Mr Michel* (CH)	Ms Dascalopoulou-Livada* (GR)
	27	Mr Michel* (CH)	Ms Dascalopoulou-Livada* (GR)
2003	26	Mr Michel (CH)	-
	25	Mr Michel (CH)	-
2002	24	Mr Tomka* (SK)	Mr Michel* (CH)
	23	Mr Tomka* (SK)	Mr Michel* (CH)
2001	22	Mr Tomka (SK)	Mr Michel (CH)
	21	Mr Tomka (SK)	Mr Michel (CH)
2000	20	Mr Hilger* (DE)	Mr Tomka* (SK)
	19	Mr Hilger* (DE)	Mr Tomka* (SK)
1999	18	Mr Hilger (DE)	Mr Tomka (SK)
	17	Mr Hilger (DE)	Mr Tomka (SK)
1998	16	Mr Szenasi* (HU)	Mr Caflish* (CH)
	15	Mr Szenasi* (HU)	Mr Caflish* (CH)
1997	14	Mr Szenasi (HU)	Mr Caflish (CH)
	13	Mr Szenasi (HU)	Mr Caflish (CH)
1996	12	Mr Bos* (NL)	Mr Szenasi* (HU)
	11	Mr Bos*(NL)	Mr Szenasi* (HU)
1995	10	Mr Bos (NL)	Mr Szenasi (HU)
	9	Mr Bos (NL)	Mr Szenasi (HU)
1994	8	Mr Puissochet (FR)	Mr Bos (NL)
	7	Mr Puissochet (FR)	Mr Bos (NL)
1993	6	Mr Corell* (SE)	Mr Puissochet* (FR)
	5	Mr Corell* (SE)	Mr Puissochet* (FR)

1992	4	Mr Corell (SE)	Mr Puissochet (FR)
	3	Mr Corell (SE)	Mr Puissochet (FR)
	2	Mr Türk (AT)	Mr Corell (SE)
1991	1	Mr Türk (AT)	Mr Corell (SE)

(*) Second term of office of one year, nonrenewable (see Article 12 (e), Appendix1, Resolution CM/Res(2011)24).