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**3rd meeting of the Bureau
Strasbourg, 7-8 February 2013**

**Council of Europe Conference of Ministers of Culture
Moscow, 15-16 April 2013**

Draft decisions

The Bureau is invited to:

- *welcome the progress report by the Secretariat on the state of preparation of the Ministerial Conference and the draft conference documents collection;*
- *study and amend if necessary the draft agenda;*
- *ask the Secretariat to circulate the updated documents with all CDCPP members for comment/endorsement before submitting them to the Committee of Ministers /GR-C in late February 2013;*
- *ask the Secretariat to keep the Bureau of the CDCPP informed of the final steps and any open issues regarding the preparation of the Ministerial Conference.*



Council of Europe Conference of Ministers of Culture “Governance of Culture – Promoting Access to Culture”

**Moscow, 15-16 April 2013
Bolshoi Theatre**

Draft Documents collection (as of 1.2.2013)

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I- Invitation letter to Ministers



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COUNCIL OF EUROPE CONSEIL DE L'EUROPE

Strasbourg, 3 December 2012

Dear...,

The Council of Europe and the Government of the Russian Federation are pleased to invite you to the Conference of Ministers responsible for Culture to be held in Moscow on 15-16 April 2013 on the theme of "Governance of Culture – Promoting Access to Culture".

This event will highlight the new challenge for governments and, specifically, *Ministries of Culture, in promoting access to and participation in culture*, also at a time of social, economic and financial change. It will take into account the specific challenges and opportunities of the digital era for access to and participation in culture and the important interaction with civil society, in view of promoting social justice, and the freedom of expression. Practically, the Conference will feature novel policy approaches and exchange of experiences and good practices among political leaders.

The Conference will also provide an important impetus to the Council of Europe's future work as the only pan-European intergovernmental forum on culture and laboratory of democratic governance. It will promote co-operation and synergies with its international partners, affirming culture as a key resource for international relations and dialogue.

The preliminary programme, an outline of events, the registration form and contact information will be sent to you shortly.

We look forward to meeting you in Moscow in April 2013.

Yours sincerely,

Vladimir Medinski
Minister of Culture of
the Russian Federation

Thorbjørn Jagland
Secretary General of the
Council of Europe

II- Short conference brief



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10th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers of Culture “Governance of Culture – Promoting Access to Culture”

Moscow, Russian Federation, 15-16 April 2013

The concept of democratic governance in culture deserves to be a major theme of the Council of Europe Conference of Ministers of Culture as does the notion of “access to culture”. What interrelation exists between access to culture and participation in cultural life and the enhancement of democracy? What are the new challenges for governments and their Ministers of Culture in promoting access to and participation in cultural life in times when European societies are facing multiple social and economic changes? Who takes part in what culture, by which means and with what impact? How can we help develop well integrated cohesive societies through culture therefore contributing to democratic stability and deep security in Europe?

The 10th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers of Culture on “Governance of Culture – Promoting Access to Culture” will highlight the added value of culture as an important resource for genuine democracies and fuller participation of citizens. It will point out innovative approaches to take on the new challenges of today’s society in the field of cultural governance, policy and practice.

The conference will also study perspectives, opportunities and challenges for the Council of Europe as the pan-European intergovernmental forum on culture and laboratory of democratic governance, and in doing so, will also suggest ways to increase effective co-operation in the cultural field with international organisations such as UNESCO, the European Union and other international organisations.

During the three consecutive sessions participants will further develop and exchange on the following sub-themes:

SESSION 1: ROLE OF GOVERNMENTS: NEW CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

SESSION 2: BEST PRACTICES AND POLICY INNOVATION

SESSION 3: PERSPECTIVES FOR THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH OTHER ORGANISATIONS

The detailed draft agenda and further practical information will be sent to you shortly. Ministers will be invited to share their insights *either* in the plenary debate (2 hours) following the introductory keynote *or* on panels (1½ hours each) related to the above themes. Ministers are kindly invited to indicate the session in which they would like to intervene, filling in the online registration form.

For registration, please use the following link https://www.conference-service.com/10_ConfMinCult/registration.cgi and the following access code: **10MinConf**. This registration will automatically create a personal account. Participants will receive an e-mail with an individual password and an address with direct access to their registration form which can be viewed, modified, completed or withdrawn at any given time.

If needed, you may contact the Council of Europe Democratic Governance Directorate at the following e-mail address: culture.ministerconference@coe.int

It is expected that the national delegations would comprise the head of delegation and two other members of the delegation. The Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation offers to cover hotel expenses for heads of national delegations.

An online survey is being run by the Council of Europe on four precise questions related to the conference theme to enhance insights on existing policies and practices in preparation for the conference. You are kindly requested to participate and provide your information using the following link:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dGZDQUhaVWIwVGIXeWRpYzZOTIUweXc6MQ>

III- Overview on conference Task Force meetings and members

MEETINGS AND MEMBERS OF THE CONFERENCE TASK FORCE

Meetings:

- 1st: 19 September 2012 (Paris)
 2nd: 26 November 2012 (Strasbourg)
 3rd: 25 January 2013 (Paris)

CDCPP Members:

- Deiana Danailova, Chair of the CDCPP, Director, International Cultural Policy, Ministry of Culture, Bulgaria; d.danailova@mc.government.bg
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IV- Draft conference programme



10th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Culture

Moscow, Russian Federation
15-16 April 2013

“Governance of Culture – Promoting Access to Culture”

Draft agenda and programme
(31/1/2012)

Conference chaired by Vladimir MEDINSKY,
Minister of Culture of the Russian Federation

Sunday, 14 April 2013

Arrival of participants (afternoon)

18:00 *Meeting of Senior Officials*

19:00 *Performance at the Bolshoi Theatre*

Monday, 15 April 2013

8:00 *Registration of conference delegates/observers*

9:30 Opening of the conference¹

- Opening of the Conference and address by Mr Thorbjørn JAGLAND, Secretary General of the Council of Europe
- Welcome address by the representative of the Russian Federation
- Address by Mr Albert ESTEVE GARCIA, Minister of Culture of Andorra, on behalf of the Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe

10:00 Keynote presentation(s) on the main theme of the Conference, by

- Mr Vladimir MEDINSKY, Minister of Culture of the Russian Federation and Chair of the Conferencer
- Mr Jack LANG, Director of the Institut du Monde Arabe, Paris (*tbc*)

10:30 *Coffee break*

Press Conference of the host and the Secretary General of the Council of Europe

11:00 Plenary meeting and debate

Speakers:.

13:00 *Luncheon hosted by the Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe for the Heads of Delegation (Restaurant "...)²*

13:00 *Luncheon hosted by the Russian government for the other participants (Restaurant ...)*

¹ Simultaneous interpretation English, French, German, Russian

² By special invitation

14:30 Session 1³ ROLE OF GOVERNMENTS: NEW CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

The new challenge for governments and, specifically, Ministries of Culture, in promoting access to and participation in culture, also at a time of social, economic and financial change, taking into account the opportunities of the digital era and in interaction with civil society, and in view of promoting social justice and freedom of expression.

Session Chair: Mr Jean-Claude MIGNON, President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Keynote speaker: Mr Piere-Luigi SACCO Professor of Cultural Economics, IULM University, Milan

Speakers:
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16:00 *Coffee break*

16:30 Session 2⁴ BEST PRACTICES AND POLICY INNOVATION

Successful practices and innovative action on enhancing access to and participation in culture for democracy – seizing opportunities and facing challenges of today's society (digital era, demographic changes such as aging societies, mobility and migration, and new models for the financing of culture).

Session Chair: Mr Herwig VAN STAA, President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe

Keynote speaker: Ms Marina ABRAMOVIC, *artist, (tbc)*

(Other possible keynote speakers: Mr Bernard STIEGLER, Director of IRI (Innovation and Research Institute) at the Georges Pompidou Center in Paris_or Mr Michael HANEKE, Film Director, Austria – *all tbc*)

Speakers:

18:00 End of Session

19:30 *Official dinner for Ministers⁵ hosted by Mr Vladimir MEDINSKY, Minister of Culture of the Russian Federation (Restaurant...)*

19:30 *Ceremonial dinner for other participants, hosted by Mr MiKHALOV (or Mr PETROVSKI) (Restaurant ...)*

³ Simultaneous interpretation English, French, German, Russian

⁴ Simultaneous interpretation English, French and Russian

⁵ By special invitation

Tuesday, 16 April 2013

09:30 Session 3⁶ PERSPECTIVES FOR THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE

Perspectives for the Council of Europe:

- as the pan-European intergovernmental forum on culture and laboratory of democratic governance: opportunities and challenges;
- towards most effective co-operation in the cultural field with other international organisations: UNESCO, the European Union and other international organisations.

Session Chair: Mr Jean-Marie HEYDT, President of the Council of Europe
Conference of INGOs (*tbc*)

Keynote speakers: Ms Androulla VASSILIOU, Commissioner for Education, Culture,
Multilingualism and Youth, European Union (*tbc*)
Ms Irina BOKOVA, Director General, UNESCO
Ms Gabriella BATTAINI-DRAGONI, Deputy Secretary General,
Council of Europe

Speakers:

11:00 *Coffee break*

11:30 **Final session⁷**

- Presentation of the conclusions of the three sessions by Ms Snezana SAMARDZIC-MARKOVIC , Director General DGII Democracy, Council of Europe
- Presentation of the draft Final Conference Statement, followed by debate
- Adoption of the Final Conference Statement of the 10th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Culture (“Moscow Agenda”)
- Presentation of the Conference Conclusions by the Chair, Mr Vladimir MEDINSKY
- Closing addresses

13:30 *Lunch*

13:30 *Press conference on the results of the Conference*

14:30 *Excursion to ... (ends ...)*

Departure of participants

⁶ Simultaneous interpretation English, French and Russian

⁷ Simultaneous interpretation English, French, German, Russian