

CONSEIL DE L'EUROPE

## Memorandum by the Secretariat concerning elections

## I- RULES OF PROCEDURES OF THE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (T-PD)

The rules of procedures stipulate:

Article 10: Chair and Vice-Chairs

1. The Chair, the first Vice-Chair and the second Vice-Chair shall be elected by a majority of the members present from among the representatives for a period of two years. The elections shall not, by default, be held by secret ballot unless specifically requested.
2. The Chair and Vice-Chairs shall be eligible for re-election for a second consecutive term of office. In exceptional cases, the Chair and Vice-Chairs shall be eligible for a third consecutive term of office*. However, the term shall end if they cease to be a member of the Committee. ${ }^{(\mathrm{X})}$

Article 10 bis: Membership, functions and competences of the Bureau

1. The Bureau shall be composed of the Chair and two Vice-Chairs of the Committee, together with four elected members and the outgoing Chair who may remain a member de iure of the Bureau during the mandate(s) of the new Chair. The other members shall be elected from among the representatives on the Committee for a period of two years. The members shall be eligible for re-election.
2. If a member of the Bureau ceases to be a member of the Committee or resigns his/her office before its normal expiry, the Committee may elect a successor for the remainder of the term of that office.

## II- PRESENT SITUATION

The Bureau of the Committee comprises eight members and its current membership is as follows:

- Mr Jean-Philippe Walter (Switzerland, elected Chair in June 2014 for a third term of two years)
- Ms Alessandra Pierucci (Italy, elected $1^{\text {st }}$ Vice-Chair in June 2014 for a second term of two years)
- Ms Nevena Ružić (Serbia, elected 2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ Vice-Chair in June 2014 for a second term of two years)
- Mr Gérard Lommel (Luxembourg, elected in June 2014 for two years)
- Mr Agustin Puente Escobar (Spain, elected in June 2014 for two years)
- Ms Nino Sarishvili (Georgia, elected in June 2014 for two years)
- Mr Peter Kimpian (Hungary, elected in June 2015 for one year)
- M. João Pedro Cabral (Portugal, President 2008/2010), member de iure of the Bureau during the mandate of the chair of Mr Jean-Philippe Walter.


## III- ELECTIONS FOR THE T-PD IN JULY 2016

During its $33^{\text {rd }}$ Plenary meeting, from 29 June to 1 July 2016, the T-PD is invited to hold elections or re-elections for the following posts:

1. Chair of the T-PD for two years
2. $1^{\text {st }}$ Vice-Chair of the T-PD for two years
3. $2^{\text {nd }}$ Vice-Chair of the T-PD for two years
4. 4 T-PD Bureau members for two years
(the remaining seat of the Bureau will be attributed de iure to the outgoing Chair, Mr JeanPhilippe Walter)

## IV- IV. PROCEDURE FOR ELECTIONS

Representatives of member states of the Council of Europe wishing to be candidates or propose another candidate are invited to inform the Secretariat of T-PD as soon as possible and in any event not later than Thursday 30 June 2016 before 15.00. An election by secret ballot will take place on Friday 1 July 2016 at the afternoon session.

## APPENDIX

The Delegations represented on the Bureau of the T-PD as from 2004 are as follows:

| 2004 | Chair: France <br> Bureau: Czech Republic, Lithuania, Portugal, <br> Spain, Switzerland, The Netherlands, United <br> Kingdom |
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| 2005 | Chair: Czech Republic (ad interim) <br> Bureau:, Austria, Lithuania, The Netherlands, <br> Portugal, Switzerland, United Kingdom |
| 2006 | Chair: Portugal <br> Bureau: Austria, Lithuania, Poland The <br> Netherlands, Switzerland, United Kingdom |
| 2007 | Chair: Portugal <br> Bureau: Austria, Czech Republic, France, Italy, <br> Lithania, Switzerland |
| 2008 | Chair: Portugal <br> Bureau: Austria, Czech Republic, France, <br> Germany, Hungary, Italy, Switzerland |
| 2010 | Chair: Portugal <br> Bureau: Austria, Czech Republic, Italy, <br> Romania, Switzerland, United Kingdom |
| 2021 | Chair: Switzerland <br> Bureau: Czech Republic, France, Italy, <br> Luxembourg, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, |
| 2014 | Chair: Switzerland <br> Bureau: Czech Republic, France, Luxembourg, <br> Portugal, Serbia, Spain, Sweden |
| 2012 | Chair: Switzerland <br> Bureau: Czech Republic, France, Italy, <br> Luxembourg, Portugal, Serbia, Spain |
| 202 | Chair: Switzerland <br> Bureau: Czech Republic, France, Italy, <br> Luxembourg, Portugal, Serbia, Spain |
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