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**GENDER EQUALITY COMMISSION  
(GEC)**

**Liechtenstein Palace  
Kampa Island,  
U Sovovych mlynu 4,  
Prague 1, Czech Republic**

*14 November 2017, 2.00 – 5.30 pm*

**Round Table**

*“Social, health and economic impacts of violence against women  
and domestic violence”*

**Event organised by the Czech authorities**

*15 – 16 November 2017, 9.30 am – 5.30 pm*

**12th meeting of the Gender Equality Commission**

**DRAFT AGENDA**

- I. **Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**  
*Draft Agenda* GEC(2017)OJ 2 Rev 2
- II. **Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson**
- III. **Council of Europe Transversal Programme on Gender Equality**
1. **Draft Gender Equality Strategy 2018-2023** GEC(2017)2 Rev 3
- **Launch of new strategy (3-4 May 2018, Copenhagen)** GEC(2017)11
2. **Gender Equality Strategy 2014-2017**
- a. **Draft 2017 Annual Report** GEC(2017)6
- Activities and measures in member states towards the achievement of the objectives of the Council of Europe Gender Equality Strategy** GEC(2017)10 Rev
- b. **Objective 1 - Combating gender stereotypes and sexism**
- Preparation of a draft Committee of Ministers recommendation to prevent and combat sexism
- Report of the 2nd meeting of the Drafting Committee preparing a draft Committee of Ministers recommendation to prevent and combat sexism (Paris, 22-23 June 2017)** GEC(2017)7
- c. **Objective 2 - Preventing and combating violence against women**
- Update on signatures and ratifications of the Istanbul Convention, latest publications, baseline evaluation reports *Oral presentation*
- Declaration of the Committee of Ministers on the need to intensify the efforts to prevent and combat female genital mutilation and forced marriage in Europe** *Online version only*
- d. **Objective 3 - Guaranteeing equal access of women to justice**
- Regional Project on “Improving women’s access to justice in six EAP countries” *Oral presentation*
- Training Manual for Judges and Prosecutors on Ensuring Women’s Access to Justice** *Online version only*

*Country Studies on Barriers, Remedies and Good Practices for Women's Access to Justice: [Armenia](#), [Azerbaijan](#), [Georgia](#), [Republic of Moldova](#), [Ukraine](#)*

*Online versions only*

**e. Objective 4 - Achieving balanced participation of women and men in political and public decision-making**

- [Analytical Report of the third round of monitoring the implementation of CM Recommendation Rec\(2003\)3 on balanced participation of women and men in political and public decision-making](#) *Publication*

[Press coverage following the launch of the analytical report](#) *Information document*

- Follow up to analytical report in the member states

- [Draft factsheet on balanced participation of women and men in political and public decision-making](#) *GEC(2017)9*

**f. Objective 5 - Achieving gender mainstreaming in all policies and measures**

- Gender Mainstreaming in Council of Europe Activities *Oral presentation*

[6th edition of information document \(October 2017\)](#) *Online version only*

[Activities promoting gender mainstreaming at the national level in Council of Europe member states](#) *Online publication*

- [Recommendation of the Committee of Ministers to member States on improving access to justice for Roma and Travellers in Europe](#) *CM/Rec(2017)10*
- [Recommendation of the Committee of Ministers to member States on gender equality in the audiovisual sector](#) *CM/Rec(2017)9*

**IV. Thematic discussions:**

- i. Situation of migrant women and families – Czech Republic and Germany
- ii. Men/boys and gender equality – Denmark and Iceland

**V. Co-operation with international/regional organisations**

- Council of the European Union - gender equality agenda:
  - o Maltese Presidency (January – June 2017)
  - o Estonian Presidency (July – December 2017)
  - o Bulgarian Presidency (January – June 2018)

**VI. Events attended by GEC members, experts and the Secretariat** GEC(2017)8

**VII. Current and future activities at national level and at international level**

- Council of Europe gender equality agenda:
  - o Czech Republic Chairmanship (May – November 2017)
  - o Danish Chairmanship (November 2017 – May 2018)

**VIII. Other business**

**IX. Items for the agenda of the next meeting**

**X. Adoption of the abridged report of the 12th GEC meeting (15-16 November 2017)**

**Calendar of forthcoming events and meetings:**

**2018**

- *3rd meeting of the Drafting Committee preparing a Committee of Ministers recommendation to prevent and combat sexism : 1-2 March 2018, Paris, France*
- *13th GEC meeting: 11-13 April 2018, Strasbourg, France*
- *Conference to launch the new Council of Europe Gender Equality Strategy 2018-2023: 3-4 May 2018, Copenhagen, Denmark*
- *14th GEC meeting: 5-7 December 2018, Strasbourg, France*