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## Regional online round table

"The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on human rights and the rule of law"

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## The Council of Europe input to address human rights issues during the COVID-19 pandemic

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- CoE: The Secretary General's <u>toolkit</u> for Governments across Europe on respecting human rights
- ECtHR:
  - 1. President Sicilianos's address to the St Petersburg Legal Forum
  - 2. Elections

New President from 18 May 2020: Judge Robert Spano;

Vice-President: Judge Ksenija Turković; Section President: Judge Yonko Grozev

- 3. Functioning of the ECtHR (Press releases) plus Statistics
- 4. One communicated case related to Covid-19
- SCN
  - 1. Brief presentation
  - 2. Knowledge Sharing and its externalisation
  - 3. Transversal themes: Covid-19 (to be developed)







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- 4. Relevant Covid-19 information to be added to the existing KS pages
- 5. Compilation Covid-19 published on the SCN site (input by SCN FP and the Registry: functioning of the judiciary; for the time being a few substantive decisions, a number of challenges to domestic measures pending)
- 6. Exchange of information; Formal requests lodged by member courts
- 7. On-line presentations, trainings
- Protocol No. 16
  - 1. Brief presentation
  - 2. First advisory opinion
  - 3. Second advisory opinion (in process)