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Annotated agenda and order of business

2nd plenary meeting

Strasbourg, 16-18 November 2020

By Videoconference

Monday 16 November 2020 – 9.30 am to 4.30 pm

Tuesday 17 November 2020 – 2 pm to 5.30 pm

Wednesday 18 November 2020 – 9.30 am to 1 pm

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Agenda

1. **Opening of the meeting**
2. **Adoption of the agenda and order of business**
3. **Statement by the Chair and the Secretariat**
4. **CDENF's tasks and activities: review of progress, evaluation of completed activities and next steps**
 - 4.1 **Implementation of the Council of Europe Strategy for the Rights of the Child (2016-2021)**
(CDENF specific task (i))
 - a) Review of the updated action plan
 - b) Preparation of the final report on the implementation of the Strategy – approval of the draft outline and process
 - c) Update on the Child participation assessment tool project and latest assessments undertaken (work cycle III)
 - 4.2 **Preparation of the draft Council of Europe Strategy on the Rights of the Child (2022-2027)**
(CDENF specific task (ii) and (vi))
 - a) Address by Mr Adrien Taquet, Secretary of State for Children and Families with the Minister of Solidarity and Health, France
 - b) Exchange of views with Ms Najat Maalla, Special Representative of the UN Secretary General on Violence against Children (UN SRSG VAC)
 - c) Preliminary analysis of key priorities and areas for action put forward followed by an exchange of views, including any reflections on considerations arising from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic
 - d) Child participation
 - 4.3 **Work to enhance the implementation of international and Council of Europe standards on the protection of children from violence in member states**
(CDENF specific task (iii))
 - a) Progress on work on systems for professionals to report violence against children, and on measures and interventions aimed at preventing peer violence and sexual abusive behaviour by children: development of non-binding instruments and guidance on the proposals of the Working Group on responses to violence ([CDENF-GT-VAE](#))
 - b) European Day on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (18 November)
 - 4.4 **The protection of the best interests of the child in situations of parental separation and in childcare proceedings**
(CDENF specific task (iv) 1))
 - a) Oral update by Mr Seamus Carroll, Chair of the [CJ/ENF-ISE](#) on progress made, working methods and workplan
 - b) Request by Missing Children Europe for observer status to CJ/ENF-ISE (vote procedure)
 - 4.5 **The rights of children and children's participation in the decision-making process in the biomedical field (DH-BIO)**
(CDENF specific tasks (iv) 2 and (vi))
 - a) Presentation by Dr Ritva Halila (Finland), Chair of the Committee on Bioethics (DH-BIO)
 - b) Working methods and next steps

- 4.6 Children's rights in the digital environment**
(CDENF specific tasks (iv) 3 and (v))
 - a) Keynote intervention by Prof. Sonia Livingstone (London School of Economics)
 - b) *For examination and approval* - Draft declaration of the Committee of Ministers on the need to intensify efforts to respect and protect children's privacy in the digital environment (jointly with the Consultative Committee of the Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Data)
 - 4.7 Contribution to the implementation of the Council of Europe Counter-Terrorism Strategy (2018-2022): addressing welfare and child protection challenges related to child returnees thematic exchange with experts and next actions**
(CDENF specific task (iv) 3)
 - 4.8 Review of relevant Committee of Ministers' Recommendations: examination of the Review of CM/Rec(2007)09 on life projects for unaccompanied migrant minors**
(CDENF main task (viii))
 - 4.9 CDENF opinions (if appropriate)**
(CDENF main task (iv))
- 5. Co-operation and synergies with relevant Council of Europe bodies and committees, international organisations and civil society**
(CDENF main task (ix))
 - a) European Union's priorities 2020-2022 for its co-operation with the Council of Europe
 - b) Proposal for a possible contribution to the 2021 UN General day of discussion on [children's rights and alternative care](#)
 - c) Oral updates by representatives of CoE bodies, committees, international organisations and civil society
- 6. COVID-19 responses and actions by the CDENF**
 - a) Approval of the concept note for CDENF's webinars and next actions
 - b) Updates by invited guests, CDENF delegations and observers on developments of concern, good practices and initiatives in this area
- 7. Working methods and evaluation of completed activities**
(CDENF main task (xi))
 - 7.1 CDENF working methods and work programme for 2020 - 2021
 - 7.2 Annual exchange of views to evaluate its activities and to advise the Committee of Ministers on future priorities in its sector, including possible new activities and those that might be discontinued
- 8. Election of the Vice-Chair**
- 9. Dates of next meetings**
- 10. Any other business**
- 11. Adoption of the abridged meeting report and list of decisions**

Annotated agenda and order of business

Monday, 16 November 2020		
Timing	Working Document reference ¹	Agenda item
9.30 am		1. Opening of the meeting
9.35 am	CDENF(2020)OJ3REV1 CDENF(2020)OJ3ANNREV1 CDENF(2020)LOP4	2. Adoption of the Agenda and order of business <u>Required action:</u> CDENF is invited to review and adopt the draft agenda and order of business.
9.35 am		3. Information by the Chair and the Secretariat <u>Required action:</u> the CDENF will take note of the information provided
		4. CDENF's tasks and activities: review of progress, evaluation of completed activities and next steps
9.45 am	CDENF(2020)02 (action plan) CDENF(2020)25 (draft outline) CPAT evaluation report	4.1 Implementation of the Council of Europe Strategy for the Rights of the Child (2016-2021) (CDENF specific task (i)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update by the secretariat on the state of implementation of the Strategy and of the action plan and a draft outline for the final report and key timelines Interventions by member states representatives, participants, and observers <u>Required action:</u> the CDENF is invited to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Review and take note of the updated action plan Review the draft outline proposed for the final report and provide any further suggestions with respect to it and for planned next steps. <i>Time for presentation: 10 minutes; Time for discussion: 15 minutes</i>
10.10 am	CDENF-GT-VAE(2020)06 (outline for a feasibility study) CDENF-GT-VAE(2020)PV2	4.3 Work to enhance the implementation of international and Council of Europe standards on the protection of children from violence in member states (CDENF specific task (iii)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oral update on progress made by the working group CDENF-GT-VAE

¹ Meeting documents will not be screened during the videoconference. CDENF members and observers are invited to have either printed their own copies of the working or reference documents or access those on the Committee's public website (www.coe.int/cdenf)

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft outline for a feasibility study on a draft Recommendation to be submitted to the Committee of Ministers for adoption in 2021 - Presentation by Professor Mariëlle Bruning (Leiden University), consultant • Interventions by member states representatives, participants, and observers • Oral update by the Secretariat of the European Day on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse <p><u>Required action:</u> the CDENF is invited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Take note of the presentations above b) Consider the outline of the feasibility study and the elements proposed therein, and provide further guidance and suggestions to the working group, including on planned next steps. <p><i>Time for presentation: 20 minutes; Time for discussion: 20 minutes</i></p>
10.50 am	CDCJ & CDENF/BU(2020)PV1 CJ/ENF-ISE(2020)04 Rev CDENF/BU(2020)PV3 Letter of 6 October 2020	<p>4.4 The protection of the best interests of the child in situations of parental separation and in childcare proceedings (CDENF specific task (iv) 1))</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oral update by Mr Seamus Carroll, Chair of the CJ/ENF-ISE on progress made, working methods and workplan • Approval of criteria to be applied for requests for observer status • Request by Missing Children Europe for observer status to CJ/ENF-ISE: oral update followed by vote procedure (for members only) <p><u>Required action:</u> the CDENF is invited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Take note of the presentation above and of CJ/ENF-ISE workplan b) Agree on the criteria to be applied for requests for observer status c) Vote on the request by Missing Children Europe to become an observer <p><i>Time for presentation: 10 minutes; Time for discussion and procedure: 15 minutes</i></p>
11.15 am	Concept Note (English) CDENF(2020)24	<p>5. Co-operation and synergies with relevant international organisations, civil society and academia (CDENF main task (ix))</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal for a possible contribution to the 2021 UN General day of discussion on children's rights and alternative care <p><u>Required action:</u> the CDENF is invited to consider options and decide on next steps.</p> <p><i>Time for presentation: 10 minutes; Time for discussion: 15 minutes</i></p>

11.40	CDENF(2020)17rev (Work programme and timetable for the preparation of the new strategy)	<p>4.2 Preparation of the draft Council of Europe Strategy for the Rights of the Child (2022-2027) (CDENF specific tasks (ii) and (vi))</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oral update on actions implemented since the last plenary session
12.00 pm		Lunch break
2.00 pm		<p>4.3 (continued) Preparation of the draft Council of Europe Strategy for the Rights of the Child (2022-2027) (CDENF specific tasks (ii) and (vi))</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keynote intervention by Ms Najat Maalla, Special Representative of the UN Secretary General on Violence against Children (UN SRSG VAC), followed by an exchange of views Interventions by member states representatives, participants, and observers <p><i>Time for presentation: 15 minutes; Time for discussion: 15 minutes</i></p>
2.30 pm	<p>CDENF(2020)26 A and B Restricted (Compilation of responses)</p> <p>CDENF(2020)31 (Process proposed for consulting children in building the new Strategy)</p> <p>COVID-19 pandemic and children: challenges, responses and policy implication</p> <p>European Union: EU Strategy for the Rights of the Child (2021-2024); EU strategy for a more effective fight against child sexual abuse</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation of a preliminary analysis of key priorities and areas for action put forward by member states and other stakeholders – Presentation by Ms Sabrina Cajoly, independent consultant to the CDENF Interventions by member states representatives, participants, and observers Address by Mr Adrien Taquet, Secretary of State for Children and Families with the Minister of Solidarity and Health, France, followed by discussion Consultation of children at member state level: presentation of proposals and methodology by the Secretariat followed by an exchange of views <p><u>Required action:</u> The CDENF is invited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hold a first exchange of views on the proposals arising from the consultation Take note of the updated work programme and timetable for the preparation of the new strategy, including by discussing the role of Rapporteurs (Italy and France) in this context <p><i>Time for presentations: 20 minutes; Time for discussion: 40 minutes</i></p>
3.30 pm	<p>CDENF(2020)27 (draft report for the Committee of Ministers)</p> <p>CDENF(2020)04rev (Analysis of responses to the questionnaire)</p>	<p>4.8 Review of relevant Committee of Ministers' Recommendations: examination of the review of CM/Rec(2007)09 on life projects for unaccompanied migrant minors (CDENF main task viii)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oral presentation by the secretariat of the draft report and proposed conclusions

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interventions by member states representatives, participants, and observers <p><u>Required action:</u> The CDENF is invited to review the draft report and decide on next steps and adoption, with a view to communicating it to the Committee of Ministers.</p> <p><i>Time for presentations: 10 minutes; Time for discussion: 20 minutes</i></p>
4.00 pm	DH-BIO/INF(2020)20	<p>4.5 The rights of children and children's participation in the decision-making process in the biomedical field (DH-BIO) (CDENF specific tasks (iv) 2 and (vi))</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction by the secretariat on CDENF's workplan and planned working methods Presentation by Dr Ritva Halila (Finland), Chair of DH-BIO Interventions by member states representatives, participants, and observers <p><u>Required action:</u> The CDENF is invited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Take note of the presentation, discuss working methods and agree on next steps <p><i>Time for presentations: 15 minutes; Time for discussion: 15 minutes</i></p>
4.30 pm		End of first day
Tuesday, 17 November 2020		
Timing	Working Document reference	Agenda item
2.00 pm	CDENF(2020)22 (Draft declaration on privacy) CDENF(2020)28 (compilation of comments)	<p>4.6 Children's rights in the digital environment (CDENF specific tasks (iv) 3 and (v))</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keynote intervention by Prof. Sonia Livingstone (London School of Economics) <i>For examination and approval</i> - Draft declaration of the Committee of Ministers on the need to intensify efforts to respect and protect children's privacy in the digital environment (jointly with the Consultative Committee of the Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Data) - introduction of the draft text by Professor Eva Lievens, Independent consultant to the CDENF Interventions by member states representatives, participants, and observers <p><u>Required action:</u> The CDENF is invited to:</p>

		<p>a) take note of the presentations</p> <p>b) review the draft declaration and agree on a draft text</p> <p>c) instruct its Bureau, jointly with the Bureau of the Consultative Committee to finalise the text with a view to its communication to the Committee of Ministers as soon as possible.</p> <p><i>Time for presentations: 25 minutes; Time for discussion: 75 minutes</i></p>
3.40 pm	CDENF(2020)INF2	8. Election of Vice-Chair
3.45 pm	<p>CM(2018)86-addfinal (Council of Europe Counter-Terrorism Strategy (2018-2022))</p> <p>Parliamentary Assembly Recommendation 2169 (2020)</p> <p>CDENF(2020)23</p> <p>CDCT(2020)03-rev2</p> <p>International conference</p>	<p>4.7 Contribution to the implementation of the Council of Europe Counter-Terrorism Strategy (2018-2022): addressing welfare and child protection challenges related to child returnees – Thematic exchange with experts (CDENF specific task (iv) 3)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thematic exchange with experts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Adrian Shtuni (CEO, Shtuni Consulting) Ms Fatima Ahdash (Lecturer in Law, Goldsmith, University of London) Ms Daphne Bogo (Deputy Director, Directorate of children and family, Departmental Council of Seine -Saint-Denis, France) Interventions by member states representatives, participants, and observers Oral update by the Secretariat of other related work in this field by the CDCT and future contributions expected from CDENF followed by discussion <p><u>Required action:</u> The CDENF is invited to:</p> <p>a) take note of the presentations and interventions of delegations</p> <p>b) discuss and agree on the scope of its contribution, next actions required and timelines</p> <p><i>Time for presentations: 45 minutes; Time for discussion: 45 minutes</i></p>
5.30 pm		End of second day

Wednesday, 18 November 2020		
Timing	Working Document reference	Agenda item
9.30 am	EU Strategy for the Rights of the Child (2021-2024) EU strategy for a more effective fight against child sexual abuse European Union Priorities for Cooperation with the Council of Europe 2020-2022	<p>5. (continued) Co-operation and synergies with relevant CoE bodies, committees, international organisations, and civil society (CDENF main task (ix))</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update by the secretariat of the European Union's priorities 2020-2022 for its co-operation with the Council of Europe Information on the new joint EU/COE project "CP4Europe" Presentation by Sebastien Renaud, Deputy Head of Unit for Governance and Public Administration, DG Reform, European Commission Interventions by CoE bodies, committees, international organisations, civil society representatives <p><u>Required action:</u> The CDENF is invited to:</p> <p>a) take note of the presentations and interventions of delegations</p> <p><i>Time for presentations and discussion: 60 minutes</i></p>
10.30 am	CDENF(2020)29 COVID-19 pandemic and children: challenges, responses and policy implication	<p>6. COVID-19 responses and actions by the CDENF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposal of webinars on the impact of COVID-19 on Children's Rights: draft concept note for approval Schooling in the times of COVID-19: presentation by Dr Martin Weber, Programme manager Child and Adolescent Health, World Health Organisation (WHO) Inspiring Children's Futures in the light of COVID-19: presentation by Professor Jennifer Davidson, Executive Director, Institute for Inspiring Children's Future (University of Strathclyde) and Project Director, Justice for Children, Justice for all SDG 16+ Global Initiative Updates by CDENF delegations and observers on developments of concern, good practices and initiatives in this area since the last plenary session <p><u>Required action:</u> The CDENF is invited to:</p> <p>a) Review proposals for actions in this area and decide on next steps</p> <p>b) Take note of the aspects raised with respect to actions to respond to the COVID 19 in member states and other relevant initiatives and issues for consideration</p> <p><i>Time for presentations and discussion: 60 minutes</i></p>

11.30 am	CDENF(2020)13	<p>7. Working methods and evaluation of completed activities (CDENF main task (xi))</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDENF working methods and work programme for 2020 – 2021 • Annual exchange of views to evaluate CDENF activities and to advise the Committee of Ministers on future priorities in its sector, including possible new activities and those that might be discontinued <p><u>Required action:</u> The CDENF is invited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> c) Review and approve the updated work programme for 2020-2021 d) Hold an exchange of views to evaluate its activities and make any further proposals in this respect <p><i>Time for presentations: 10 minutes, time for discussion: 20 minutes</i></p>
12.00 pm		<p>4.9 CDENF opinions (if appropriate) (CDENF main task (iv))</p> <p><u>Required action:</u> The CDENF is invited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Take note of any requests from the CM for an opinion and relevant work of the PACE which may lead to such requests b) Decide on processes for their approval and communications
12.05 pm	CDENF(2020)21 (Schedule of CDENF meetings in 2020-2021 and thematic priorities)	<p>9. Dates of next meetings</p> <p><u>Required action:</u> the CDENF is invited to take note of the dates of the next meetings.</p>
12.10 pm		10. Any other business
12.15 pm		<p>11. Adoption of the abridged meeting report and list of decisions</p> <p><u>Required action:</u> The CDENF is invited to decide on processes for their adoption</p>
1.00 pm		<i>End of the meeting</i>

Reference and other documents for information

Terms of reference	CDENF Terms of reference 2020-2021
Agenda item 4.1	Council of Europe Strategy for the Rights of the Child (2016-2021) 1st report on the implementation of the Council of Europe Strategy for the Rights of the Child (2016-2021) Mid-term evaluation report on the Strategy for the Rights of the Child (2016-2021) Report on the third priority area of the Council of Europe Strategy on the Rights of the Child (2016-2021): “A life free from violence for all children” 2nd report on the implementation of the Council of Europe Strategy for the Rights of the Child
Agenda item 5	Council Conclusions on EU priorities for cooperation with the Council of Europe 2020-2022

Recent meeting reports and other CDENF documents

CM(2020)74	Abridged report of the first meeting of the CDENF (4-6 February 2020)
CDENF-BU(2020)PV01	Report of the first meeting of the Bureau (25-26 May 2020)
CDENF(2020)PV2	Summary report of the first thematic exchange of the CDENF (26 June 2020)- COVID 19 Pandemic responses: lessons learnt from management and adaptation to ensure that children are treated as rights holders during the pandemic and beyond
CDENF-GT-VAE(2020)PV1rev	Report of the first meeting of the Working group on responses to violence against children (CDENF-GT-VAE) (23-24 June 2020)
CDENF-BU(2020) PV02	Report of the second meeting of the Bureau (1 July 2020)
CJ/ENF-ISE(2020)PV1	Report of the first meeting of the CJ/ENF-ISE (24-25 September 2020)
CDENF-GT-VAE(2020)PV2	Report of the second meeting of the Working group on responses to violence against children (CDENF-GT-VAE) (5-6 October 2020)
CDCJ&CDENF/Bu(2020)PV1	Report of the first joint meeting of the Bureaux of the CDCJ and CDENF (7 October 2020)
CDENF/Bu(2020)PV3	Report of the third meeting of the Bureau (20 October 2020)