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**STEERING COMMITTEE ON THE MEDIA  
AND NEW COMMUNICATION SERVICES**

**(CDMC)**

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**15th meeting  
from 29 November to 2 December 2011  
Council of Europe, Agora building, Strasbourg  
(Room G01)**

**Meeting report**

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Executive summary

During the meeting, the CDMC:

- adopted comments on the following PACE Recommendations:
  - 1980 (2011) – Combating “child abuse images” through committed, transversal and internationally co-ordinated action;
  - 1983 (2011) – Abuse of state secrecy and national security: obstacles to parliamentary and judicial scrutiny of human rights violations;
  - 1984 (2011) – The protection of privacy and personal data on the Internet and online media;
- examined draft CDMC comments on PACE Recommendation 1981 (2011) – Violent and extreme pornography, and agreed to finalise them by e-mail exchange

- finalised the following draft instruments and agreed to submit them to the Committee of Ministers for possible adoption:
  - draft Recommendation on the protection of human rights with regard to search engines;
  - draft Recommendation on the protection of human rights with regard to social networking services;
  - draft Declaration on the desirability of international standards dealing with forum shopping in respect of defamation or (“libel tourism”)<sup>1</sup>;
- considered a draft Recommendation on gender aspects of Council of Europe Recommendations and Declarations in the media and freedom of expression fields and agreed on further work needed with a view to its finalisation before the end of its mandate or by the CDMSI;
- noted that the draft Declaration and Recommendation it prepared on public service media governance were yet to be considered and possibly adopted by the Committee of Ministers;
- requested the Committee of Ministers to take measures to ensure the sustainability of the European Dialogue on Internet Governance (EuroDIG);
- reiterated its support for the urgent implementation of all aspects of the 13 January 2010 Committee of Ministers Declaration on measures to promote respect for Article 10 of the European Convention on Human Rights;
- held a fruitful exchange with the plenary T-PD on matters of common interest and future CDMSI / T-PD work streams;
- adopted its end-of-operations stocktaking report.

### **Item 1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**

1. The Steering Committee on the Media and New Communication Services (CDMC) held its 15th – and last – meeting from 29 November to 2 December 2011 at the Council of Europe’s Agora Building in Strasbourg.
2. The gender distribution of the 55 attendants in the meeting was as follows: 22 women (40%), 33 men (60%).
3. The meeting was chaired by Andris Mellakauls (Latvia). The Chairperson welcomed, in particular, those participants attending a CDMC meeting for the first time. The list of participants is set out in Appendix I.
4. The CDMC adopted the agenda, as set out in Appendix II, with the addition of a sub-item under item 3: Committee of Ministers thematic debate on freedom of expression and freedom of the media, on 15 December.

### **Item 3. Decisions of the Committee of Ministers of interest to the work of the CDMC**

#### *Standard setting texts*

#### *Declaration on Internet governance principles;*

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<sup>1</sup> The United Kingdom reserved its position in respect of this text due to the pre-legislative process currently underway on the subject in the UK.

*Recommendation on the protection and promotion of Internet's universality, integrity and openness;*

*Declaration on the protection of freedom of expression and information and freedom of assembly and association with regard to Internet domain names and name strings;*

*Recommendation on a new notion of media*

5. The CDMC took note of the adoption of these texts by the Committee of Ministers on its 1121st meeting on 21 September 2011.

*Council of Europe on-going reform*

6. The CDMC took note of the state of play of the Council of Europe reform process and held an exchange of views with Jan Kleijssen, Director of Information Society and Action against Crime. Mr Kleijssen also informed the Committee of the adoption by the Committee of Ministers of the terms of reference of the future Steering Committee on Media and Information Society (CDMSI).

7. The issue of synergies between the CDMSI and other Council of Europe bodies should be addressed by the fact that people and bodies working on neighbouring fields are now under the same structure. Moreover, the reform emphasises transversal work and encourages cooperation between teams and working structures across the Organisation. This will also be made explicit in objectives for staff in the future. In this line, the cooperation and assistance activities in the area of media, which have been brought back under the responsibility of the Media Division, will also deal with issues of information society.

8. Mr Kleijssen also clarified the working methods decided by the Committee of Ministers, in particular regarding the setting up of subordinate bodies. In case the CDMSI decides that it was necessary to have a sub-group (e.g. committee of experts) to carry out specific work, it should ask the Committee of Ministers to adopt specific terms of reference accordingly. The CDMSI would be able to propose the composition of the sub-groups, which may involve both independent and government experts. In addition, the CDMSI itself could designate a Rapporteur or an informal drafting group. Mr Kleijssen confirmed that a limited amount of resources had been set aside to cover the costs of subordinate bodies.

9. The CDMC expressed concerns on the possible impact of any delay in setting up subordinate bodies, delaying and shortening the time for delivery of CDMSI expected results.

10. As regards the very specialised data protection matters that the CDMSI is mandated to cover, Mr Kleijssen clarified that the work will be done by the Consultative Committee of the Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regards to Automatic Processing of Personal Data (T-PD) and then carried through the steering committee as the intergovernmental body. This is justified by the need for an overall and coherent vision in respect of Council of Europe information society work.

11. The CDMSI has also been mandated to implement specific aspects of the Council of Europe Strategy on Internet Governance, once it has been adopted by the Committee of Ministers, and has been entrusted with the general oversight of its implementation. This will require both dialogue with those responsible for the implementation of various action lines and with the Inter-Secretariat Task Force on information society and Internet governance, as

well as reporting to the Committee of Ministers on progress made or difficulties encountered, Consequently, it should be a regular feature of the agenda of CDMSI meetings.

12. The CDMC expressed regret that it was not consulted on the Council of Europe Strategy on Information Society, and its wish for better communication with the CDMSI in the future. It noted however that broad consultation with all bodies concerned would have been difficult and would have delayed the process and that it is intended as a collection of actions already foreseen or proposed by those bodies, brought together into a single document by the Secretariat.

13. Observers with the CDMC expressed disappointment by the failure to implement the 13 January 2010 Declaration on measures to promote the respect of Article 10 of the European Convention on Human Rights two years after its adoption by the Committee of Ministers. Notwithstanding this, it welcomed its inclusion in both the terms of reference of the CDMSI and the Council of Europe programme of activities for 2012 and 2013.

*Committee of Ministers thematic debate on freedom of expression and freedom of the media, on 15 December*

14. The CDMC expressed the view that member states' experts and/or the CDMC might have usefully been consulted on the shaping and content of the proposed debate given their specific role in proposing and working out common policy approaches in respect of freedom of expression and media. It noted the proposal by delegations that the CDMC Chairperson be invited to attend the debate; and agreed on the desirability that a background note be prepared before the thematic debate on positive obligations of member states in respect of the safety of journalists having regard to Article 10 of the European Convention of Human Rights and relevant case law of the European Court of Human Rights. It also signalled issues that could be addressed during the debate, as follows:

- why do we need to protect freedom of expression
- what freedom needs to be protected
- where should it be protected
- who are the actors of freedom of expression
- how should it be done in the Council of Europe
- what could be the way forward.

*European Audiovisual Observatory (EAO)*

15. The issue of the work of the EAO was addressed and in particular the request it receives to enlarge its activities to the online environment. Its Executive Director, Wolfgang Cloß, while willing to take up these issues, underlined that this would not be possible without additional resources.

*Request for comments on Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly texts*

*Draft CDMC comments on PACE Recommendations*

- 1980 (2011) –Combating “child abuse images” through committed, transversal and internationally co-ordinated action
- 1983 (2011) – Abuse of state secrecy and national security: obstacles to parliamentary and judicial scrutiny of human rights violations
- 1984 (2011) –The protection of privacy and personal data on the Internet and online media
- 1981 (2011) – Violent and extreme pornography

16. In response to the invitation by the Committee of Ministers, the CDMC adopted, subject to certain amendments, comments to these Recommendations, The first two were prepared respectively by Bissera Zankova (Bulgaria) and Andris Mellakauls (Latvia). It decided to transmit the first three to the Committee of Ministers, and to finalise the fourth by e-mail exchange within the timeframe foreseen in the request.

#### **Item 4. Draft instruments or texts for consideration by the CDMC**

17. The CDMC considered two draft Recommendations prepared by the Committee of Experts on New Media (MC-NM) on the protection of human rights respectively with regard to search engines and social networking services and, subject to certain amendments, agreed to submit them to the Committee of Ministers for adoption.

18. It also finalised a draft Declaration on the desirability of international standards dealing with forum shopping in respect of defamation or (“libel tourism”) and agreed to submit it to the Committee of Ministers for adoption. The United Kingdom reserved its position in respect of this text due to pre-legislative process currently underway on the subject in the UK.

19. As regards a draft Recommendation on gender aspects of Council of Europe Recommendations and Declarations in the media and freedom of expression fields, it agreed on work to be done to finalise the draft and noted the need for further consultation with relevant national authorities. The aim should be to finalise the draft recommendation before the end of the CDMC’s mandate or, failing that, the Steering Committee encouraged the CDMSI to pursue this important task (which is covered by its terms of reference as adopted by the Committee of Ministers).

20. The CDMC discussed the Bureau’s proposal for a draft Declaration on measures to support and foster Pan-European multi-stakeholder dialogue on Internet governance. However, it agreed to transmit the message to the Committee of Ministers in the form of proposed decisions, appending relevant parts of the draft declaration by way of explanation to the abridged report.

#### **Item 5. Work between meetings**

21. The CDMC noted that its Comments on Parliamentary Assembly Recommendations 1962(2011) on the Religious dimension of intercultural dialogue, 1950(2011) on the protection of journalists’ sources and 1963 (2011) on Combating poverty, were duly transmitted to the Committee of Ministers within the foreseen timeframe.

22. The CDMC noted that, following the decision taken by the CDMC at its 14th meeting, the draft Declaration of the Committee of Ministers on the protection of freedom of expression and freedom of assembly and association with regard to privately operated Internet platforms and online service providers was finalised by e-mail consultation and was submitted to the Committee of Ministers for possible adoption (foreseen adoption in December 2011).

23. In light of decisions taken at the 14th meeting, after consultations and e-mail discussions, the draft Declaration and draft Recommendation on public service media governance of the

Committee of Ministers to the member states on Public Service Media Governance were finalised without changes to the substance. In line with standard procedures, submission to the Committee of Ministers for possible adoption requires the opinion of the Legal Advice Department and finalisation by the Editorial Unit; the Committee of Ministers should be able to consider its adoption in early 2012.

#### **Item 6. Work of CDMC subordinate bodies**

##### **Committee of Experts on New Media – ( MC-NM)**

24. Thomas Schneider, Chairperson of the MC-NM, reported on the Committee's last meeting which was mostly devoted to the two draft recommendations on search engines and social network services (see paragraph 17 item 4). The group acknowledged that its work was completed but recommended that the CDMSI pursue work on the guidelines that were previously envisaged on the same subjects, in collaboration with the relevant industry representatives, thus pursuing the multistakeholder co-operation started by the CDMC.

The CDMC supported this proposal and thanked the Committee and its chairperson for the high quality of their work.

##### **Ad hoc Advisory Group on Cross-border Internet (MC-S-CI)**

25. The Chairperson of the MC-S-CI, Wolfgang Kleinwächter, reported on the last meeting of the group and held an exchange with the CDMC on possible follow up action in respect of instruments recently adopted by the Committee of Ministers and on future work of the CDMSI. He elaborated on concrete multi-stakeholder outreach and collaboration steps geared towards developing a multi-stakeholder framework of understanding of the Internet governance principles. In particular, he emphasised the desirability to reinforce in the future the methodology of multi-stakeholder participation adopted by the group and to pursue follow up work without delay.

The CDMC thanked the Group and its chairperson for the high quality of their work.

##### **Ad hoc Advisory Group on the Protection of Neighbouring Rights of Broadcasting Organisations (MC-S-NR)**

26. The meetings of the MC-S-NR have been postponed in the absence of a negotiating mandate for the European Commission. The representative of the European Commission updated the CDMC on various issues stemming from the Lisbon treaty and on the situation of the negotiating mandate which is still pending.

#### **Item 7. Discussion on the future work programme of the Steering Committee on Media and Information Society (CDMSI)**

See also item 3

27. The CDMC welcomed the adoption of the terms of reference of the CDMSI.

28. Further, the CDMC considered that, in the light of a fast evolving Internet environment as well as activities of other international organisations, it is highly desirable that the Council of Europe continue to play a leading role in developing Internet-related policies from human rights, democracy and rule of law perspectives. Noting that other institutions pursue work in this field pursuing other objectives and noting that the CDMSI terms of reference build on

work already carried out and with a view to maintaining momentum, the CDMC asked the Secretariat to start preparing the future work in line with the terms of reference as adopted by the Committee of Ministers.

29. Noting the crucial role of sub-bodies including governmental and non-governmental experts in this regards, the CDMC asked the Secretariat to start preliminary planning for the creation of CDMSI subordinate groups (drafting structures and terms of reference, identify possible experts, outline work plans, etc.) to ensure rapid action once the CDMSI becomes active. Given that non-state actors play a central role in Internet, it is necessary that the subordinate groups embrace a multi-stakeholder approach.

30. It also noted the unanimous request by CDMC observers to have like participation in CDMSI work and suggested that this request be brought to the attention of the Secretary General (having regard to paragraph 8.a of Committee of Ministers Resolution CM/Res(2011)24 on intergovernmental committees and subordinate bodies, their terms of reference and working methods). It expressed full support for this request, underlining the desirability that observers be all invited to the CDMSI first meeting to ensure continuity and preserve this aspect of the multistakeholder dimension of the work (see also CDMSI Terms of Reference in fine).

#### **Item 8. Stocktaking of CDMC work**

31. In view of the end of its terms of reference on 31 December 2011 and replacement by a new steering committee, at its 14th meeting the CDMC asked the Secretariat to prepare a draft stocktaking document of its work since 2005. It considered the draft “CDMC end-of-operations stocktaking report” and adopted it subject to certain amendments. It decided to forward it to the Committee of Ministers for information as an appendix to its abridged report.

#### **Item 9. Implementation of Council of Europe standards on media and freedom of expression prepared under the authority of the CDMC**

##### *Decriminalisation of defamation*

32. The CDMC welcomed the information transmitted by certain delegations and observers in respect of trends as regards the decriminalisation of defamation (e.g. repeal of libel and insult criminal law provisions in the Russian Federation) and agreed that it would be desirable that the CDMSI take up the debate on this subject.

##### *Measures to promote freedom of the media*

33. The CDMC reiterated its support for the urgent implementation of all aspects of the 13 January 2010 Declaration of the Committee of Ministers on measures to promote respect for Article 10 of the European Convention on Human Rights. It recalled the concrete proposals made by the CDMC at the time of transmitting the draft to the Committee of Ministers for adoption. The CDMC welcomed the inclusion of this matter in the terms of reference of the CDMSI and the programme of activities for 2012 and 2013.

##### *Follow-up of the Reykjavik resolution on Developments in anti-terrorism legislation in Council of Europe member states and their impact on freedom of expression and information*

34. Observers recalled the two letters sent to the Secretary General by 40 global civil society organisations urging robust action for reviewing national laws and practices concerned by the

Resolution and the answer received. Once again, they expressed strong concern about the absence of Council of Europe follow up on this subject.

### **Item 10. Next Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Media and New Communication Services**

35. At its 14th meeting, the CDMC decided that reflection should start on the themes and content of the conference in light of its preliminary discussions.

36. It observed that, in light of the replacement of the CDMC by the CDMSI, the title of the conference might be changed to "media and information society". It also held an exchange of views with Ren Reynolds (an Internet, virtual realities and interactive platforms academic and practitioner), and pursued discussions on possible themes for the future conference.

37. To facilitate further discussions (by the CDMSI), several delegations agreed to prepare brief discussion papers by end January 2012:

- on new and aggregate spaces for interaction and participation, policy and opinion making, and political activity (Armenia),
- the question of the possible modifications of the "public watchdog" term as regards the new media environment (Austria),
- access to internet as a fundamental right (Latvia),
- consequences to be drawn from the new notion of media (Switzerland),
- the role of intermediaries (Germany)

while other delegations were invited to submit any reflections they may have on the above by 15 January 2012. Moreover, it was agreed to reflect on whether, in the new communication environments, developing political approximation methods ensure ongoing reliability and what are the related challenges (in particular freedom of expression, privacy, right to association, and also diversity and pluralism in the media ecosystem). The CDMC also asked the Secretariat to explore the possibility of organising a small working meeting early in 2012 in order to advance with the discussions.

### **Item 11. Internet Governance and Information Society**

#### *European Dialogue on Internet Governance (EuroDIG) (Belgrade 30-31 May 2011)*

38. The CDMC took note of information provided by Lee Hibbard, Head of the Information Society Unit, in particular the outcome 'Messages from Belgrade', the high numbers of participants (479 registered attendees) from all the major stakeholder groups, and information concerning remote participation (99 registered) and remote hubs in various capitals (i.e. 12 hubs in 11 countries). Information was also provided on preparation for the fifth edition of EuroDIG (Stockholm, 14-15 June).

#### *Internet Governance Forum (IGF) (Nairobi, 27-30 September 2011)*

39. The CDMC took note of the information on the event provided by Mr Hibbard, together with CDMC members who participated in it.

The Organisation had maximum global visibility and impact<sup>1</sup> in the IGF 2011, comprising more than 2,000 participants, 122 workshop and other events, 125 governments, and 823 people connected remotely from 89 countries. The four CoE workshops and open forum attracted many participants and were well received. Discussions demonstrated wide (global)

support for Council of Europe's Conventions on cybercrime and on data protection. The CoE's draft Internet governance strategy 2012-2015 was generally welcomed and several improvements to the text were proposed. The CM adoption (on 21 September) of four Internet governance standard-setting instruments<sup>1</sup> was timely, generated much discussion and was favourably received by many<sup>1</sup>

40. Further, the CDMC took note of general information concerning the preparation of the next edition (in November (dates to be confirmed) 2012 in Baku).

41. The Secretariat provided information on the conference "Our Internet - Our Rights, Our Freedoms, Towards the Council of Europe strategy on Internet governance 2012-2015" which took place in Vienna, on 24 and 25 November 2011. The CDMC welcomed it and took note of the written summary of the main messages and outcomes of the Conference prepared by the Secretariat<sup>2</sup>. It noted also the strong multi-stakeholder support for the Council of Europe's draft Internet governance strategy..

42. It also took note of the report on the Conference on Political Communication in the era of new technologies (Warsaw, 22-23 September 2011) that Garegin Chugaszyan attended on behalf of the CDMC.

43. Similarly, the CDMC took note of the report on the Conference on the Council of Europe Strategy on the Rights of the Child 2012-2015, Monaco, 20-21 November 2011 that Andris Mellakauls attended, mainly in the context of the CoE Internet strategy.

## **Item 12. Information on the work of, and co-operation with, other Council of Europe bodies, of interest to the CDMC**

44. The Secretariat informed the CDMC of relevant work of, and co-operation with, other Council of Europe bodies.

### *Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE)*

#### *Motion for a recommendation on the revision of the European Convention on transfrontier television, 5 October 2011*

45. The CDMC noted the motion for a recommendation presented by Roger Gale (United Kingdom) and signed by another 28 PACE members from a wide range of countries and political affiliations. Some delegations underscored the position outlined in the motion, expressing "regret [about] the discontinuation, following the intervention of the European Commission, of work upon the vital revision of the European Convention on Transfrontier Television", highlighting the broad territorial scope of the Convention, refuting the claim that the European Union has exclusive competence to enter into international agreements in the field covered by the Convention, and proposing that, without prejudice to European Union input, "work upon the revision of the Council of Europe Convention on Transfrontier Television must proceed without further delay or interference from the European Commission in the interests of the wider Europe not represented by the European Union",

#### *Report on Fight against terrorism, presented during the last session of the Parliamentary Assembly.*

<sup>2</sup> See : [http://www.coe.int/t/information/society/Conf2011/ViennaConferenceSummary\\_en.pdf](http://www.coe.int/t/information/society/Conf2011/ViennaConferenceSummary_en.pdf)

46. Some delegations expressed regret that the PACE Report omitted consideration of and reference to the important 2009 Reykjavik Ministerial Conference Resolution on “Developments in anti-terrorism legislation in Council of Europe member states and their impact on freedom of expression and information”. In their view, it would be desirable for PACE to encourage action at national level upon the commitment made at the Conference by all but one Council of Europe member states “to review [their] national legislation and/or practice on a regular basis to ensure that any impact of anti-terrorism measures on the right to freedom of expression and information is consistent with Council of Europe standards, with a particular emphasis on the case law of the European Court of Human Rights”.

*Cybercrime Convention Committee (T-CY) (24 November) and Octopus conference (21-23 November)*

47. The CDMC was represented in the T-CY meeting and Octopus conference by Bissera Zankova, with the objective of underlining the importance of respecting human rights in general and freedom of expression in particular when combating cybercrime. The Steering Committee took note of the information provided by Ms Zankova on her participation.

*2011 Exchange on the religious dimension of the intercultural dialogue – Luxembourg*

48. The representative of the Conference on International NGOs, who attended the event, reported on it.

*European Audiovisual Observatory*

49. See paragraph 15 under Item 3.

### **Item 13. Cooperation activities in the field of media**

50. Ivan Nikolchev, responsible for assistance and co-operation activities in the field of media, informed the CDMC on the on-going and future activities and held an exchange of views with the CDMC. The Steering Committee noted that these activities depend largely on joint programmes with and funding from the European Commission and that some member states have continued to provide generous voluntary contributions (notably Norway and Ireland). It agreed that sustained efforts are needed to support freedom of the media and compliance with related Council of Europe standards across Europe, and that a stronger commitment by member states to fund those activities would be desirable.

### **Item 14. Other information of interest to the work of the CDMC**

*High-level group to discuss freedom and pluralism of the media across the EU*

51. The CDMC noted the creation by the European Commission of a high-level group to discuss freedom and pluralism of the media across the EU, and related initiatives (e.g. €600,000 of European Commission funding for a new Centre for Media Pluralism and Media Freedom). The CDMC agreed that it would be desirable to explore opportunities for cooperation in order to ensure maximum effectiveness of Council of Europe work and standards in the areas concerned. The CDMC welcomed the Chairperson’s letter to Professor Vaira Vīķe-Freiberga, former President of Latvia and chairperson of the High level group and supported the proposal of inviting her to the first CDMSI meeting for an exchange of views.

### **Item 15. Administrative and budgetary matters**

52. Please refer back to Item 3.

**Item 16. Other business**

53. The CDMC agreed on the necessity for CDMC members to raise certain issues with national authorities and/or their Permanent Representations in Strasbourg (e.g. importance of keeping media policy on the Council of Europe agenda, CDMSI subordinate structures, gathering necessary expertise, the risks to sustainability of this work as a result of the secretariat being spread very thinly over a broad range of issues, exploring voluntary contributions and secondments, support for EuroDIG).

54. The CDMC held a joint session with the Consultative Committee of the Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regards to Automatic Processing of Personal Data (T-PD). It was a fruitful exchange on matters of common interest and possible CDMSI work streams.

55. The CDMC also encouraged efforts by CDMC members themselves to foster interaction and flow of information at domestic level regarding the work of the Council of Europe and the European Union in respect of the EU digital agenda, media pluralism, Internet governance and other matters of common concern.

**Item 17. Abridged report**

56. The CDMC adopted the abridged report of its 15th meeting.

## Appendix I

### List of participants

#### MEMBER STATES / ETATS MEMBRES

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*(Apologised / Excusé)*

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**Appendix II****MEETING AGENDA**

1. **Opening of the meeting**
2. **Adoption of the agenda**
3. **Decisions of the Committee of Ministers of interest to the work of the CDMC**  
*Standards and CDMC texts*  
*Reform process*  
*Request for comments on Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly texts*
4. **Draft instruments or texts for consideration by the CDMC**
5. **Work between meetings**
6. **Work of CDMC subordinate bodies**  
*Committee of Experts on New Media – (MC-NM)*  
*Ad hoc Advisory Group on Cross-border Internet (MC-S-CI)*  
*Ad hoc Advisory Group on Public Service Media Governance (MC-S-PG)*  
*Ad hoc Advisory Group on the Protection of Neighbouring Rights of Broadcasting Organisations (MC-S-NR)*
7. **Discussion on the future work programme of the Steering Committee on Media and Information Society (CDMSI)**
8. **Stocktaking of CDMC work**
9. **Implementation of Council of Europe standards on media and freedom of expression prepared under the authority of the CDMC**
10. **Next Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Media and New Communication Services**
11. **Internet Governance and implementation of WSIS action lines**  
*- EuroDIG, Belgrade 30-31 May 2011*  
*- IGF, Nairobi, 27-30 September 2011*  
*- Conference on Political Communication in the era of new technologies, Warsaw, 22-23 September 2011*  
*- "Our Internet - Our Rights, Our Freedoms". Towards the Council of Europe strategy on Internet governance 2012-2015 Launching Conference . Vienna, 24-25 November 2011*
12. **Information on the work of, and co-operation with, other Council of Europe bodies, of interest to the CDMC**
13. **Cooperation activities in the field of media**
14. **Other information of interest to the work of the CDMC**

15. **Administrative and budgetary matters**
16. **Other business**
17. **Abridged report**