

Bureau of the Steering Committee on Media and Information Society



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Report of the 7th meeting (31 March-1 April 2015) (Paris, Council of Europe Office, 55 avenue Kléber)

1. Opening of the meeting

The CDMSI Chair Ms Maja Raković (Serbia) opened the meeting.

Mr Patrick Penninckx, Head of the Information Society Department, welcomed the members of the Bureau and shared information regarding ongoing and future activities in the Council of Europe. He recalled the initiative of the CDMSI to submit a message to the Committee of Ministers in relation to the attacks on the Charlie Hebdo Magazine and expressed regret that the CDMSI did not finalise this initiative in due time. The attacks against freedom of expression in Paris and in Copenhagen earlier in the year underline the importance of the work of the CDMSI which is increasingly put in the spotlight.

Mr Penninckx informed the Bureau about a conference in the framework of the No Hate Speech campaign, which will conclude the Belgian Chairmanship of the Council of Europe Committee of Ministers on 8 May in Brussels. The CDMSI Chair and other members will be invited to this conference.

The CDMSI Chair also expressed regret that the CDMSI was not able to finalise its message on the attacks on the Charlie Hebdo Magazine in due time. The Bureau should reflect on ways to be able to swiftly react in urgent cases.

2. Adoption of the agenda

The CDMSI Gender rapporteur regretted the absence of an item on Gender equality and the media. The Bureau agreed that this item will be included in the CDMSI agenda.

The Bureau adopted the agenda of its meeting in view of the preparation of the CDMSI meeting which will take place from 16 to 19 June 2015. The annotated agenda appears in Appendix 1. The list of participants appears in Appendix 2.

3. Information by the Chair and the Secretariat

3.1 Thematic Debate on Freedom of Expression and follow-up

The Secretariat informed the Bureau on the Thematic debate on Freedom of Expression (9 December 2014) and on activities that were decided as follow-up, in particular a high level Council of Europe Conference "Freedom of expression is still the issue", which will take place on 13 and 14 October 2015 in Strasbourg.

- A publication on positive obligations of States to create an enabling environment for public debate, which is currently under preparation;

- A video recording project on promoting freedom of expression as a human right to a large audience, entitled "The whys and the hows of freedom of expression", also currently under preparation.

3.2 *Internet-based Platform to promote the protection of journalism and the safety of journalists*

The Secretariat informed the Bureau about the state of play of the Platform, the basis of which was laid during a Round Table held in May 2014 and the Memorandum of Understanding signed in December 2014 between the Council of Europe and 5 major NGOs working on freedom of expression and protection of journalists. Thereafter, the Directorate of Policy Planning (DPP) assumed competence for the implementation of the Platform, which was put online on 2 April 2015.

The Bureau asked questions regarding the sustainability of the Platform and its funding needs. It agreed to issue a strong message, calling, inter alia, for financial contributions following a presentation by DPP during the up-coming CDMSI meeting.

3.3 *Implementation of the Guide to Human Rights for Internet Users*

The CDMSI Bureau was informed that the Secretariat is working on an action plan to promote the Guide in the framework of co-operation activities. This includes translations into non-official CoE languages, adaptations such as the one by a Spanish education initiative targeting secondary school. It also underlined the desirability to adapt the Guide to specific target groups, such as children and youth, judges, etc. The action plan will be available for the up-coming CDMSI meeting. The Bureau concluded that member States should be invited to promote the Guide via their national IGF where they exist; consumer protection associations and other fora. It would also be interested in receiving feed-back on related co-operation activities.

3.4 *Co-operation activities*

The Bureau took note of the information by the Secretariat on co-operation programmes and activities. As reflected in document MEDIA-COOP(2015)006rev, current activities focus on all core issues covering the needs expressed by the targeted countries.

The Bureau commended the important work undertaken and supported the appeal by the Secretariat for a stronger engagement of CDMSI members in co-operation activities. The Council of Europe staff in field offices could widely benefit from their expertise in the running of these activities. Besides, CDMSI members would be exposed to the situation in other member States, which would help building a common vision of the work to accomplish in the future.

3.5 *Administrative matters*

The Bureau took note of information provided by Secretariat on the Council of Europe's call for secondments issued on 28/01/2015 and repeated on 06/03/2015.

4. Implementation of Council of Europe adopted standards

The Secretariat recalled the process and discussions on the implementation of Council of Europe standards in the CDMSI's field of activities and informed the Bureau about the state of play.

The Bureau discussed and decided on a list of questions to be sent to the CDMSI with a deadline for reply by 1 June 2015. The answers will be published on the CDMSI webpage as they are received and will be made available on paper at the 8th CDMSI meeting (16 -

19 June 2015). The Secretariat will work on an analysis that will be available at the 9th CDMSI meeting (8 – 11 December) for in-depth discussion. Furthermore, an invitation will be extended to Mr Gvozden Srećko Flego, (Croatia, SOC), author of the PACE report on Protection of media freedom in Europe, to make a presentation of his report.

5. Media standard setting

5.1 *Committee of experts on protection of journalism and safety of journalists (MSI-JO)*

The Bureau took note of the information provided by the Secretariat about the last meeting of the MSI-JO (19-20 March 2015) and the state of play of a draft recommendation on safety of journalists and other media actors. The MSI-JO took into account the comments provided by CDMSI members. An advanced draft will be ready for discussion at the 8th CDMSI meeting (16-19 June). A final draft could then be approved at the 9th CDMSI meeting (8 - 11 December).

The Bureau congratulated the MSI-JO and the secretariat for the work accomplished. It encouraged them to make available the draft recommendation on time for the CDMSI plenary meeting to enable a fruitful and meaningful discussion.

6. Internet Standard setting

6.1 *Draft Recommendation of the Committee of Ministers to member States on protecting and promoting the right to freedom of expression and the right to private life with regard to network neutrality*

The Secretariat informed the Bureau on the state of play of the draft recommendation, recalling the two rounds of comments in the CDMSI and the Bureau's revisions of the draft since the 7th CDMSI meeting (18-21 November 2014). The Bureau took note of the comments provided by Austria, Bulgaria, Croatia, Greece, France, Latvia, Germany, the Russian Federation and the United Kingdom as well as EDRI, EBU and the Convention 108 Consultative Committee (T-PD).

Fully recognising the work done and the efforts made to accommodate all concerns, the Bureau decided that the draft, as it was last sent to the CDMSI (*document CDMSI(2014)005Rev10*) is satisfactory as it balances in the best way possible the wide range of views and diversity of positions taken by CDMSI members. It therefore recommended that the CDMSI approves it at its next meeting in June without further debate.

6.2 *Committee of Experts on cross-border flow of Internet traffic and Internet freedom (MSI-INT)*

The Bureau welcomed the information about the state of play of the draft Recommendation on free, transboundary flow of information on the Internet, which was examined by the group of rapporteurs on human rights (GR-H) and is expected to be adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 1 April 2015.

The Secretariat informed the Bureau about the last meeting of the MSI-INT (5-6 March 2015) and the state of play of the draft Recommendation of the Committee of Ministers to member States on Internet freedom. Upon a proposal by the MSI-INT, the Bureau decided to invite the European Committee on Crime Problems (CDPC) the Steering Committee for Human Rights (CDDH), the European Committee on Legal Co-operation (CDCJ), the Cybercrime Convention Committee (T-CY) the Consultative Committee for the Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regards to Automatic Processing of Personal Data (T-PD) to provide their comments on this draft recommendation. In

addition, in order to ensure a multi-stakeholder approach the Bureau agreed that stakeholders should be invited to comment through an open consultation process to be carried out by the Secretariat.

The CDMSI will be informed at its 8th meeting (16 – 19 June) about the comments received and on this basis the MSI-INT will consider reflecting them in the draft recommendation as appropriate. The MSI-INT will finalise the draft recommendation at its last meeting (7-8 September 2015) and transmit it to the CDMSI for possible approval at its 9th meeting (8-11 December 2015).

The Secretariat informed the Bureau about the preparation of the draft report on the right to freedom of assembly and association on the Internet. This report will be transmitted to the CDMSI to be taken note of at its 8th meeting.

The Bureau congratulated the MSI-INT and the Secretariat for the work done.

6.3 *Draft Declaration of the Committee of Ministers on WSIS+10 review and IGF extension*

The Bureau considered the revised draft prepared by the informal drafting group composed of Estonia (Tanel Tang), Switzerland (Thomas Schneider), UK (Mark Carvell), in particular taking note of the comments provided by Greece, Ireland, Poland, the Russian Federation and Spain as well as ICANN.

Considering the two rounds of consultation with the CDMSI, and mindful of the need to work intersessionally and by electronic means when necessary, the Bureau decided to submit the revised draft to the next meeting of the Thematic Coordinator on Information Policy (TC-INF) subject to no objections as to the procedure by the CDMSI to be received by 10 April 2015.

6.4 *Draft Declaration of the Committee of Ministers on ICANN, human rights and the rule of law*

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7. Internet governance

7.1 *Council of Europe Internet Governance Strategy 2012-2015*

The Bureau took note of the information by the Secretariat, in particular that an updated oversight report will be submitted to the CDMSI at its 8th meeting (16-19 June 2015). The Secretary General will also prepare a final assessment report on the Strategy to be presented to the Ministers' Deputies during the second half of 2015. The Bureau requested further information on outstanding actions and whether they will be carried over to the strategy 2016-2019.

7.2 *Council of Europe Internet Governance Strategy 2016-2019*

The Secretariat informed the Bureau that a new Strategy is being prepared in consultation with the major administrative entities of the Council of Europe.

The Bureau expressed its support for the work undertaken and took note of the role of the CDMSI in consulting relevant steering and convention committees. It noted that a draft strategy will be submitted to the CDMSI at its 8th meeting (16 – 19 June) for discussion.

7.3 European Dialogue on Internet Governance (4-5 June 2015, Sofia) and Internet Governance Forum (João Pessoa, Brazil, on 10-13 November 2015)

The Bureau took note of the state of preparation of the 2015 edition of EuroDIG that will take place in Sofia on 4 and 5 June. It encouraged CDMSI members to participate in EuroDIG and asked the Secretariat to assist Bureau members to play an active role in EuroDIG sessions on media-related issues.

The Bureau also took note of preparations for the 2015 edition of the IGF (João Pessoa, Brazil, on 10-13 November 2015) and reminded the CDMSI that on-line contributions can be sent and that remote participation is possible.

7.4 UNESCO 3-4 March 2015: Connecting the dots: Options for Future Action Conference on UNESCO's Internet Study: access, free expression, privacy and ethics

The Secretariat informed the Bureau on the conference which was attended by some MSI-JO, MSI-INT and CDMSI members. The UNESCO conference focused on an Internet study drafted by the organisation with the responses and comments of different stakeholders, to a questionnaire, to which the CDMSI Secretariat had provided input. A non-binding "Outcome Document" emerged from two days of intense discussion on the draft UNESCO Internet Study which is titled "Keystones to Foster Inclusive Knowledge Societies: Access to information and knowledge, Freedom of Expression, Privacy and Ethics on a Global Internet". The Outcome Document will be forwarded to the UNESCO Executive Board, where Member States may decide to recommend it to the 38th General Conference of UNESCO in November 2015.

8. Data Protection

The Secretariat informed the Bureau on the state of play of the modernisation of Convention 108. The 3rd and last meeting of the CAHDATA (1-3 December 2014) approved a draft amending protocol, subject to reservations from the EU and the Russian Federation, which, together with the abridged report of the CAHDATA meeting was on the agenda of the GR-J of 24/03/2015. While the proposal was to send the drafts to the PACE for consultation, the EU presented a new position and requested that it be the basis for discussion (deletion of the general scrutiny reserve and new reserves listed). Such discussion will be subject to further progress on the draft EU Regulation. The work should resume after the summer.

The Secretariat also informed the Bureau on the state of play of the draft Recommendation CM/Rec(2014)___ of the Committee of Ministers to member states on the processing of personal data in the context of employment and explanatory memorandum, expected to be adopted on 1 April 2015.

The Bureau also took note of other on-going work of the Committee of Convention 108, notably an expert report on big data; police: preparation of practical guidelines on the use of personal data in the police sector; guidance on safeguards in the context of PNR exchange; medical data: analysis of the replies to a questionnaire and preparation of a draft instrument.

The Bureau also took note of the accession request to Convention 108 of Mauritius which should be invited to accede to the Convention at the end of May 2015 if the procedure is completed.

9. CDMSI working methods

Drafting committees

The Bureau recalled that these drafting committees were set-up at the 7th CDMSI meeting (18-21 November 2014) with a view to advancing the CDMSI work on outstanding items under its Terms of Reference. The Bureau took note of the Secretariat's proposal regarding the scope of work, objectives and timeframe for the drafting committees and furthermore noted that member States' expression of interest to participate in the drafting committees had been limited (CDMSI(2014)Misc12).

The Bureau discussed the way forward in view of the high number of deliverables under its Terms of Reference until December 2015. It decided that work on outstanding expected results should, at this stage, focus on taking stock of activities carried out by the Council of Europe. The CDMSI will have a discussion on this basis at its 8th meeting (16 – 19 June) and link it to its work for the next terms of reference. The Secretariat will provide the stock-taking document to facilitate this discussion.

Furthermore, the Bureau designated one of its members to take the lead and act as a contact point in each area, as follows: media pluralism and transparency of media ownership Ms Elva Ýr Gylfadóttir, (Iceland); gender equality dimension in the media coverage of election campaigns Ms Christina Lamprou (Greece); professional and ethical journalism and hate speech Mr Mark Carvell, (United Kingdom); public service media Mr Éanna Ó'Conghaile (Ireland); surveillance issues Mr Emir Povelakić (Bosnia and Herzegovina).

The Bureau had an intensive exchange of views on its working methods. It asked the Secretariat to prepare a proposal for a reference document reflecting its working methods based on Resolution CM/Res(2011)24 on intergovernmental committees and subordinate bodies and their terms of reference.

Furthermore, the Bureau discussed the preparation of the Terms of Reference for the next biennial period. It recommended that these strike a better balance between media and internet items. Priority areas and expected results should be identified having due regard to what can be accomplished reasonably, concretely and satisfactorily. In order to enable the CDMSI to fully play its steering role, the terms of reference for the next biennial period should offer more space to the CDMSI to evaluate policy and legal challenges raised by developments in the fields of media and information society. It should also give space to reflect and identify appropriate policy responses. This should reinforce the CDMSI's capacity to be more alert to and to react on issues in need of immediate action. In addition, the CDMSI should give member states an opportunity to exchange views and share best practices on the implementation of Council of Europe standards with a view to raising member States' awareness on them and facilitating their implementation.

10. Information about work of other organisations and other Council of Europe bodies

10.1 Second Annual Report by the Secretary General on the State of Democracy, Human Rights and the Rule of Law

The Bureau took note of information provided by the Secretariat on the report currently under preparation and the substantive input of the Secretariat. The report will be distributed to the CDMSI at its 8th meeting (16 - 19 June).

10.2 Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE)

The Bureau took note of three PACE reports, respectively on Protection of Media Freedom in Europe, on Mass Surveillance and on 'Increasing transparency of media ownership'. It decided to invite the rapporteur of the report on Protection of Media Freedom in Europe, Mr Gvozden Srećko Flego, to present his work and have an exchange of views with the CDMSI in the framework of the item on implementation of Council of Europe standards, at the June meeting. Should Mr Flego not be available, the rapporteur on Mass surveillance, Mr Pieter Omtzigt (The Netherlands, EPP/DC) should be invited.

The Bureau also noted that the CDMSI comments on PACE Recommendation 2061(2015) "Terrorist attacks in Paris: together for a democratic response and on PACE Rec2062 (2015) "Protection of the safety of journalists and of media freedom in Europe were transmitted to the Committee of Ministers within deadlines, following on-line finalisation of the comments.

10.3 Commissioner for Human Rights

The Bureau took note of the Commissioner's Issue paper on the Rule of Law on the Internet and in the wider digital world, which is available on-line. Copies will be made available to the CDMSI at its plenary meeting.

10.4 Participation of CDMSI members and members of other committees to meetings and events

Mr Emir Povolakić (Bosnia and Herzegovina) reported on his participation to the 1st meeting of the Committee on Foreign Terrorist Fighters and Related Issues (COD-CTE). He will also attend the up-coming meeting of the CODEXTER. He will encourage CODEXTER that data protection is better taken into account its work.

10. Applications for observer status

The Bureau recalled the CDMSI decision to invite the Internet Rights and Principles Coalition and the European Media Platform to the CDMSI's 8th meeting (16 – 19 June) to present their application for observer status.

The Secretariat recalled the criteria to be applied for admission of observers, namely that applicant organisations should demonstrate:

- a broad experience in the areas of competence of the CDMSI – or its subordinate bodies;
- an ability to make an effective and high quality contribution to its activities (necessary human and material resources);
- a representation at a Europe-wide, and where relevant a broader, level.

In respect of the Internet Rights and Principles Coalition, the Bureau concluded that the above criteria are met and expressed support for the application. It therefore decided to recommend that the CDMSI decide to admit the Coalition as an observer to the CDMSI.

In respect of the European Media Platform, the Bureau concluded that, based on the information available, the above criteria have so far not been demonstrated. In particular, it appears that the organisation has a limited, regional focus. Therefore it would recommend to the CDMSI not to accept this request for observer status.

12. Draft agenda of the 8th CDMSI meeting (16-19 June 2015)

The Bureau agreed to the draft agenda with a few additions, in particular an item on gender equality and the media.

13. Any other business

The Bureau noted with regret that Ms Bissera Zankova had announced that she is no longer working with the Bulgarian government. Therefore, it took note of the need to hold elections at the next CDMSI plenary meeting.

Appendix 1

Annotated Agenda

1. Opening of the meeting by Mr Patrick Penninckx, Head of the Information Society, Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law

2. Adoption of the agenda

<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For decision Adopt the agenda in view of the preparation of the 8 th meeting of CDMSI (16-19 June 2015); discuss plenary meeting preparation.
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3. Information by the Chair and the Secretariat

3.1 Thematic Debate on Freedom of Expression and follow-up

<u>Documents</u> SG/Inf(2014)44	<i>Thematic Debate of the Committee of Ministers 'Ensuring Freedom of Expression on the Internet' and decisions</i>
	<i>Draft programme of the 13-14 October conference.</i>
	For information Take note of information provided by the Secretariat on the Thematic Debate, of decisions taken by the Committee of Ministers and of follow-up activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Council of Europe Conference "Freedom of expression is STILL the issue" 13-14 October 2015; - Publication on positive obligations of States to create an enabling environment for public debate; - Video recording project on promoting freedom of expression as a human right to a large audience "The whys and the hows of freedom of expression"

3.2 Internet based Platform to promote the protection of journalism and safety of journalists

<u>Documents</u> Web link	<i>Conference on Media Freedom and Security of Journalists (Paris, 4/12/2014)</i>
MOU	<i>Memorandum of Understanding on the Setting-up of an Internet-based Freedom of Expression Platform to Promote the Protection of Journalism and Safety of Journalists</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information Take note of information provided by the Secretariat on the state of play of the internet based platform project

3.3 Implementation of the Guide to human rights for Internet users.

<u>Document</u>	http://www.coe.int/en/web/internet-users-rights/guide
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information Take note of information provided by the Secretariat on the state of play of the implementation and dissemination of the Guide

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<u>Documents</u> Programme	<i>Guide to human rights for Internet users event in Brussels (10/12/2014) : Protecting Human Rights on Line: Prevention rather than Cure</i>
<u>Concept note</u>	
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information Take note of the report by the Secretariat and of plans for future events.

3.4. Cooperation activities

<u>Document</u> MEDIA-COOP(2015)006rev	<i>Accomplished and ongoing projects in the field of media and freedom of expression online and offline</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information Take note of information provided by Secretariat

3.5 Administrative matters

<u>Document</u> DRH(2015)23 DRH(2015)24	<i>Calls for secondment</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information Take note of information provided by Secretariat on call for secondments.

4. Implementation of Council of Europe adopted standards

<u>Documents</u> CDMSI(2015)Misc1rev	<i>List of questions to CDMSI members on the implementation of CoE relevant standards on safety of journalists</i>
	Previous steps taken:
CDMSI(2014)Misc11	<i>Proposal for a collection of good practices from member states</i>
CDMSI(2014)Misc6rev	<i>Questions for CDMSI on the implementation of the CM guidelines on eradicating impunity in the context of safety of journalists</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For decision Endorse the list of questions and transmit it to the CDMSI for response to the questions.

5. Media standard setting

5.1 Committee of experts on protection of journalism and safety of journalists (MSI-JO)

<u>Document</u> MSI-JO(2014)09rev2	<i>Draft recommendation on "safety of journalists and other media actors"</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information Take note of the state of play of the draft recommendation. Take note of information on progress made in the 3 rd meeting of the MSI-JO (19-20 March 2015).

6. Internet standard setting

6.1 Draft Recommendation CM/Rec(2014)___of the Committee of Ministers to member States on protecting and promoting the right to freedom of expression and the right to private life with regard to network neutrality

<u>Document</u> CDMSI(2014)005Rev10	<i>Draft Recommendation CM/Rec(2014)___of the Committee of Ministers to member States on protecting and promoting the right to freedom of expression and the right to private life with regard to network neutrality</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information Take note of the results of the electronic procedure to approve the draft recommendation by the CDMSI. For decision Decide on the finalisation of the process and decide on the draft recommendation to be transmitted to the CDMSI for approval.

6.2 Committee of Experts on cross-border flow of Internet traffic and Internet freedom (MSI-INT)

<u>Document</u> MSI-INT(2014)13rev	<i>Draft Recommendation CM/Rec(2014)___of the Committee of Ministers to member States on Internet freedom</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information: Take note of the state of play.

<u>Document</u> MSI-INT(2014)06rev7	<i>Draft Recommendation CM/Rec(2014)___of the Committee of Ministers to member States on the free transboundary flow of information on the Internet</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information Take note of the information provided by the Secretariat on the adoption procedure by the Committee of Ministers.

<u>Document</u> MSI-INT (2014)14	<i>Report of the working meeting of the MSI-INT 23-24 October 2014</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information Take note of information on progress made in the 3 rd meeting of the MSI-INT (5-6 March 2015).

<u>Document</u> MSI-INT(2014)08rev	<i>Draft report on freedom of assembly and association on the Internet</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information Take note of information provided by the Secretariat on the state of play and progress made.

6.3 Draft Declaration of the Committee of Ministers on WSIS+10 review and IGF extension

<u>Document</u> CDMSI(2015)002rev	<i>Draft Declaration of the Committee of Ministers on WSIS+10 review and IGF extension</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information Take note of the state of play of the preparation and approval by the CDMSI of the draft Declaration, in view of its transmission to the Committee of Ministers for adoption.

6.4 Draft Declaration of the Committee of Ministers on ICANN, human rights and the rule of law

<u>Document</u> CDMSI(2015)003rev	<i>Draft Declaration of Committee of Ministers on ICANN, human rights and the rule of law</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information Take note of the state of play of the preparation and approval by the CDMSI of the draft Declaration, in view of its transmission to the Committee of Ministers for adoption.

7. Internet governance

7.1 Council of Europe Internet Governance Strategy 2012-2015

<u>Document</u> CDMSI(2014)016	<i>Oversight of the Council of Europe Internet Governance Strategy 2012-2015</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For discussion Take note of the information by the Secretariat on the state of play of the implementation of the Strategy and give guidance to its assessment.

7.2 Council of Europe Internet Governance Strategy 2016-2019

<u>Document Ref</u>	<i>Discussion elements for the Council of Europe Internet Governance Strategy 2016-2019</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For discussion Take note of the information by the Secretariat on the state of play of the preparation of the Strategy and give orientation to the further development.

7.3 European Dialogue on Internet Governance (4-5 June 2015, Sofia) and Internet Governance Forum (João Pessoa, Brazil, on 10-13 November 2015)

<u>Document Website</u>	<i>EuroDIG 2015</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information and discussion Take note of information provided by Secretariat on the state of play of the preparation of the events and Council of Europe participation.

7.4 UNESCO 3-4 March 2015

<u>Document Agenda</u>	<i>Connecting the dots: Options for Future Action Conference on UNESCO's Internet Study: access, free expression, privacy and ethics</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information Take note of information provided by Secretariat.

8. Data protection

<u>Documents</u> CM(2015)40	<i>Ad Hoc Committee on Data Protection – 3rd meeting 1-3 Dec 2014 – Abridged report</i>
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T-PD-BUR(2014)Rap34Abr	<i>34th T-PD Bureau meeting – 16-18 Dec 2014 – Abridged report</i>
T-PD(2014)07	<i>Medical technologies and data protection issues – Questionnaire</i>
Draft Recommendation Draft Explanatory memorandum	<i>Draft Recommendation CM/Rec(2014)___ of the Committee of Ministers to member states on the processing of personal data in the context of employment and explanatory memorandum</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information: Take note of information provided by the Secretariat with regard to follow-up activities on <ul style="list-style-type: none">- the Modernisation of Convention 108 (finalisation of the work of the CAHDATA and GR-J 24/03)- Recommendation of the Committee of Ministers to member states on the processing of personal data in the context of employment (GR-H 24/3)- Other ongoing work (big data, police, medical data).

9. CDMSI working methods

9.1 Drafting committees

<u>Documents</u> CDMSI(2014)Misc12	<i>Proposal by the Bureau in respect of CDMSI drafting committees</i>
CDMSI(2015)Misc2	<i>List of interested members to participate in Drafting Committees decided at the 6th CDMSI meeting</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information Take note of information provided by the Secretariat.

10. Information about the work of other organisations and other Council of Europe bodies

10.1 Report by the Secretary General on the State of Democracy, Human Rights and the Rule of Law

<u>Documents</u>	<i>Report by the Secretary General on the State of Democracy, Human Rights and Rule of Law</i>
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information Take note of information by the Secretariat on the preparation of the report.

10.2 Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE)

<u>Documents</u> Report	<i>Report on Protection of Media Freedom in Europe</i>
Report	<i>Report on Mass Surveillance</i>
Report	<i>Report on Increasing transparency of media ownership</i>
<i>Motion for resolution</i>	<i>Motion for a resolution on "Increasing co-operation against cyberterrorism and other large-scale attacks on the Internet". Background report by Professor Bert-Jaap Koops, University of Tilburg, The Netherlands (restricted)</i>
PACE Rec2061(2015)	<i>PACE Recommendation 2061(2015) "Terrorist attacks in Paris: together for a democratic response"</i>

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CDMSI(2015)004	CDMSI comments on PACE Rec2061(2015)
PACE Rec2062(2015)	PACE Rec2062 (2015)"Protection of the safety of journalists and of media freedom in Europe
CDMSI(2015)005rev	CDMSI comments on PACE Rec2062(2015)
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For decision Take note of the PACE reports and decide to have an exchange of views of CDMSI with the PACE rapporteur on Media Freedom in Europe for future CDMSI work and exchange of views of CDMSI with PACE rapporteurs in relation to these reports for future work. For information Take note of the state of play of the CDMSI comments on PACE Rec 2061(2015) and Rec 2062(2015).

10.3 Commissioner for Human Rights

<u>Document</u> Paper	Issue paper on the Rule of Law on the Internet and in the wider digital world
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information Take note of the issue paper.

10.4 Participation of CDMSI members and members of other committees to meetings and events

<u>Documents</u> CM(2015)19final	Committee on Foreign Terrorist Fighters and Related Issues (COD-CTE) Terms of Reference
Work plan	Committee on Foreign Terrorist Fighters and Related Issues (COD-CTE Work plan)
COD-CTE(2015)2	Report on 1st meeting of the Committee on Foreign Terrorist Fighters and Related Issues (COD-CTE)
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For information Take note of the report by Emir Powlakic on the 1st meeting of the Committee on Foreign Terrorist Fighters and Related Issues (COD-CTE).

11. Applications for observer status

<u>Documents</u> Letter (links included)	Application letter by Internet Rights and Principle Coalition
Letter Link to web site	Application letter by European Media Platform
<u>Notes and expected action</u>	For decision Take note of information provided by Secretariat, discuss and decide on a recommendation to CDMSI on these applications.

12. Draft agenda of the 8th CDMSI meeting (16-19 June 2015)

<u>Documents</u> CDMSI(2015)0J1	Draft preliminary agenda of the 8th CDMSI meeting
	For decision Agree on the draft preliminary agenda

13. Any other business

	<p>For information Be informed of the need to hold elections at the 8th CDMSI plenary meeting to address issues of composition of the Bureau.</p>
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Appendix II – list of participants

7th MEETING OF THE BUREAU OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE ON MEDIA AND INFORMATION SOCIETY (CDMSI-BU), 31 March – 1 April 2015

(Paris, Council of Europe Offices, 55, avenue Kléber)

Gender distribution of the 6 Bureau members attending the meeting: 3 women (50%), 3 men (50%)

Ms Maja Raković (Chair/ Présidente), Counsellor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Serbia /Serbie

Ms Elfa Ýr Gylfadóttir (Vice-Chair / Vice-présidente), Iceland / Islande

Mr Mark Carvell, Media Team, Department for Culture, Media and Sport, United Kingdom /Royaume-Uni

Ms Christina Lamprou, Head of the Department of Audiovisual Affairs, Directorate of Mass Media - General Secretariat of Information and Communication, Hellenic Republic / Grèce

Mr Éanna O’Conghaile, Principal Officer, Broadcasting Policy Division, Department of Communications, Energy & Natural Resources, Ireland / Irlande

Mr Emir Powlakić, Head of Division for Licensing, Digitalization and Coordination in Broadcasting, Communications Regulatory, Bosnia and Herzegovina / Bosnie-Herzegovine

SECRETARIAT

Mr Patrick Penninckx, Head of Information Society Department, DG I

Ms Silvia Grundmann, Secretary of the CDMSI, Head of Media and Internet Division, DGI

Ms Onur Andreotti, Administrator, Media and Internet Division, DG I

Ms Elvana Thaçi, Administrator, Media and Internet Division, DG I

Mr Lee Hibbard, Administrator, Media and Internet Division, DG I

Ms Anne Boyer-Donnard, Principal Administrative Assistant, Media and Internet Division, DGI