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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE "IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EUROPEAN CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN GEORGIA"

24-25 MAY 2016, TBILISI

<u>Agenda</u>

Tuesday, 24 May 2016

10.00-10.30	Registration and Welcome Coffee
10.30-11.45	OPENING SESSION
	Chair/Moderator · Mr Cristian URSE, Head of Council of Europe Office in Georgia
	 Speakers Mr Philippe BOILLAT, Director General of Human Rights and Rule of Law, Council of Europe Mr Carlo NATALE, Deputy Head, European Union Delegation to Georgia Mr Giorgi PAPUASHVILI, President of the Constitutional Court Ms Mzia TODUA, Deputy Chief Justice Mr Irakli SHOTADZE, Chief Prosecutor Ms Eka BESELIA, Chairperson of the Human Rights Committee of the Parliament
11.45-12.15	Coffee Break
12.15-13.00	KEYNOTE SPEECH
	European Convention on Human Rights – binding treaty for the Council of Europe member states and recent developments in respect of Georgia

 Mr Michael O'BOYLE, Special Advisor on Human Rights and Rule of Law
Discussion

13.00-14.00	Lunch
14.00-15.30	SESSION I Impact of the ECtHR on the life of ordinary citizens and responsibility of state actors to implement the ECHR
	 Chair/Moderator Ms Tatiana TERMACIC, Head of Human Rights National Implementation Division, Council of Europe
	Speakers:
	• Ms Tea TSULUKIANI, Minister of Justice
	 Mr Michael O'BOYLE, Special Advisor on Human Rights and Rule of Law
	• Ms Zdravka KALAYDJIEVA, Council of Europe consultant, Judge of the ECtHR in respect of Bulgaria (2008-2015)
	· Mr Konstantin VARDZELASHVILI, Judge of the Constitutional Court
	• Ms Mzia TODUA, Deputy Chief Justice
	 Mr Mindia UGREKHELIDZE, Judge of the ECtHR in respect of Georgia (1999-2008)
	Discussion
15.30-16.00	Coffee Break
16.00- 17.30	SESSION II Committee of Ministers overseeing the execution of the ECtHR judgments and Georgia's obligation to execute ECtHR judgments/reopen cases
	 Chair/Moderator H.E. Mr Konstantin KORKELIA, Permanent Representative of Georgia to the Council of Europe
	 Speakers: Mr Mamuka LONGURASHVILI, Representative of the Department for the Execution of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights, Council of Europe

	• Mr Levan MESKHORADZE, former Government Agent of Georgia to the
	European Court of Human Rights
	• Mr Jarji Tsiklauri, Deputy Head of the Investigation Unit, Chief Prosecutor's Office
	• Ms Tatyana SVESHNIKOVA, Lawyer at the Registry of the European Court of Human Rights, Council of Europe
	Discussion
17.30-18.00	Parliament's role in monitoring the execution of ECtHR judgments
	• Ms Eka BESELIA, Chairperson of the Human Rights Committee of the Parliament of Georgia
	Discussion
18:00	Reception

Wednesday, 25 May 2016

10.00 - 11.30	SESSION III Shared responsibility of non-state actors to implement the European Convention on Human Rights
	Chair/Moderator • Mr Cristian URSE, Head of the Council of Europe Office in Tbilisi
	Speakers: • Mr Zaza KHATIASHVILI, Chairperson of the Georgian Bar Association
	Niko TATULASHVILI, Ombudsperson's Office
	· Civil Society representatives:
	Ms Ana NATSVLISHVILI, Georgian Young Lawyers' Association Ms Ana ABASHIDZE, Partnership for Human Rights Ms Lika JALAGANIA, in the name of the Coalition for Equality Mr Giorgi BURJANADZE, Open Society Georgia Foundation
	Discussion

11.30 - 11.45	Coffee break
11.45 – 12.45	Overview of the national courts' practice of applying the European Convention on Human Rights and the case-law of the European Court of Human Rights at the national level · Ms Nana MCHEDLIDZE, Council of Europe consultant Discussion
12.45-13.00	 Final remarks Ms Tatiana TERMACIC, Head of Human Rights National Implementation Division, Council of Europe
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch