

Bureau of the Steering Committee on Media and Information Society



07/06/2016

CDMSI-BU(2016)01

Report of the 9th meeting (19-20 May 2016)

(Strasbourg, Council of Europe Offices, Agora building, room GO3)

1. Opening of the meeting

The CDMSI Chair, Elfa Ýr Gylfadóttir (Iceland) opened the meeting. The gender distribution among 7 attendants was 4 women (57%) and 3 men (43%).

Jan Kleijssen, Director of the Information Society and Action against Crime Directorate, welcomed the members of the new Bureau elected at the last CDMSI plenary meeting. He highlighted the importance of the future work of the two subordinate committees to the CDMSI, – the Committee of experts on media pluralism and transparency of media ownership (MSI-MED), and the Committee of experts on Internet intermediaries (MSI-NET).

He informed the Bureau of the adoption by the Committee of Ministers of the important standards that were finalised by the CDMSI in December 2015 (see item 7.2) as well as of the Council of Europe Internet Governance Strategy 2016-2019. Regarding the latter, he emphasised its transversal nature and drew attention of the Bureau on one of its main activities, namely a Platform for co-operation with the Internet private sector where the Council of Europe could draw on its large experience of collaborating with NGOs. In particular, the platform could play the role of “umbrella”, uniting the work carried out on cloud evidence by the T-CY and the Cybercrime division as well as the important on-going work on terrorism carried out by the CODEXTER.

He also pointed out regular meetings organised by the Committee of Ministers Thematic Coordinator (TC/Inf), which aim at bringing to the attention of Permanent Representatives concrete information on Freedom of Expression and Internet issues.

Mr Kleijssen also mentioned the Ministerial session of the Committee of Ministers, taking place in Sofia on 18 and 19 May 2016. There the Secretary General submitted his 2016 Annual Report ‘State of Democracy, Human Rights and the Rule of Law in Europe’ which includes a chapter on freedom of expression. He also informed the Bureau about the signature of new co-operation programmes (see also item 4).

2. Adoption of the agenda

The Bureau adopted the agenda of its meeting in view of the preparation of the 10th CDMSI meeting which will take place from 28 June to 1 July 2016. 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 Committee of experts on media pluralism and transparency of media ownership (MSI-MED)

The Bureau took note of the information provided by Onur Andreotti, Secretary of the MSI-MED, on its first meeting (22-23 March 2016) and progress of work in this committee. The Bureau discussed the draft outline for a future Recommendation on media pluralism and transparency of media ownership. It insisted on the importance of the global dimension of the pluralism and media ownership transparency and stressed that this dimension should be fully reflected in the draft recommendation. In this regard, it mentioned the issue of transparency of algorithms as an aspect that should not be neglected.

Bureau members made several observations on the draft outline of the draft recommendation on media pluralism and transparency of media ownership. In particular, they expressed willingness to explore if CDMSI members' participation on a possible collection of best practices in their respective countries, including the regulatory framework, is desirable/feasible. The Bureau also expressed the wish that MSI-MED uses a bolder language and to have an exchange of views with MSI-MED representatives during the December plenary.

3.2 Committee of experts on Internet intermediaries (MSI-NET)

The Bureau took note of the information provided by Elvana Thaci, Secretary of the MSI-NET, on its first meeting (17-18 March 2016) and progress of work in this committee.

The Bureau discussed the preparatory work in view of deliverables included in the terms of reference of the Committee of experts, namely a recommendation on Internet intermediaries and a feasibility study on human rights dimension of algorithms. It noted that a draft structure for the recommendation will be submitted to the CDMSI plenary in June and that the MSI-NET was aiming at providing the report on the feasibility study at the 1st plenary meeting of 2017. The Bureau asked questions and made observations about the scope and the content of the future draft recommendation.

The Bureau recalled the CDMSI's conclusion in December 2015 to propose that the issue of up-dating the 2008 Human rights Guidelines for Internet Service Providers is put on agenda of the MSI-NET. The Bureau noted that the MSI-NET was informed about this proposal. However, due to the absence of the representative of the European Association of Internet Service Providers EuroISPA, Michael Rotert, at the 1st MSI-NET meeting, the issue could not be discussed. The roles and responsibilities of Internet service providers, which are considered by MSI-NET as intermediaries, will be addressed in the draft recommendation, thus benefiting from an enhanced attention. Besides, the invitation will be renewed to Mr Rotert to attend the next MSI-NET meeting.

4. Co-operation activities

The Bureau took note of the information by the Secretariat on on-going and future co-operation programmes and activities, as reflected in document MEDIA-COOP(2016)01.

Currently twelve cooperation projects are being implemented on external funding (voluntary contribution or jointly funded by the European Commission) for a total of 7,229,398 Euros.

Since the last plenary session, two projects were completed, in Ukraine (strengthening the Information Society in Ukraine, funded by the European Union) and in Morocco (promoting freedom of expression and media independence, funded by the Principality of Liechtenstein). Besides, three new projects were signed and have started: two projects in Ukraine (one financed by the EU as a part of the CoE/EU Eastern Partnership Programmatic Co-operation Framework and one from the voluntary contributions of CoE member states), and one in Morocco funded by Norway. The current project in Tunisia will be extended until December 2017. Finally, a three-year project covering six locations in the South-East Europe region was signed mid-April with the European Commission focussing on training of the judiciary and including components on regulatory authorities and journalists.

Other activities are financed by the ordinary budget of the Council of Europe. In November 2016, a conference will be organised with EBU with the participation of 19 countries on the public service media and the role of national parliaments, one of the session being dedicated to hate speech.

The Bureau took note of a call for participation of CDMSI members in co-operation activities, which would bring the added value of their expert knowledge in relevant fields and bring a broader perspective to the discussions. An activity calendar will be posted on the co-operation pages of the Information society web site and will be regularly up-dated, to facilitate information and participation of members.

5. Implementation of Council of Europe adopted standards

5.1 Hearing/workshop on implementation of Council of Europe standards on safety of journalists

The Secretariat presented the project of a hearing/workshop to be held at the 10th plenary meeting, on 30 June, on implementation of Council of Europe standards on safety of journalists, as an answer to the wish expressed by the CDMSI at its last meeting.

The Bureau discussed the concept and the format of the event and made remarks and suggestions that were duly noted by the Secretariat.

5.2 Initiatives in member States

The Secretariat recalled that this item was requested by Jan Kleijssen, who has expressed the wish that member States share with their peers and the Secretariat information on domestic developments of relevance to the CDMSI work, such as new legislation, substantial work, etc.

The Bureau discussed the matter and decided that the scope of the information to be shared be further addressed by the CDMSI at its next plenary, with the help of a simple form that would facilitate and standardise the reporting. It tasked the Secretariat to prepare such a draft.

5.3 Defamation

The Bureau took note of the on-going work on the topic. A study on decriminalisation of defamation in Council of Europe member States has been commissioned to experts. It focuses on the case-law of the European Court of Human Rights and will be released mid-July 2016. The 2012 study on the situation of criminalisation, country by country, will be appended to it. The study will also be published on line and the components of the appendix will be available for member States to send up-dates.

5.4 Fear in journalism

The Bureau took note of information by the secretariat on a study on Fear in journalism commissioned to an expert, Prof. Marilyn Clark, from Malta University. The study will be based on answers received on a questionnaire being sent to journalists via the NGOs partners of the Platform for safety of journalists on their experience. Currently about 800 people have answered, the target being 1000 journalists. The timeline is the following: a quantitative analysis will be realised at the end of 2016 and a qualitative analysis at the end of 2017.

The Bureau welcomed the initiative and its members offered their help to reach out to journalists in under-represented countries if needed.

5.5 Internet governance

The Secretariat informed the Bureau about the Council of Europe Strategy on Internet Governance 2016-2019, that was adopted on 30 March 2016 by the Committee of Ministers. It highlighted its transversal nature, which is reflected by the wide range of activities listed in the appendix of the Strategy.

The Bureau noted that only a few activities fall into the particular remit of the CDMSI. The oversight of the Strategy by the CDMSI could be addressed by the participation of its members in meetings and/or activities organised by other bodies of the Council of Europe in order to bring in CDMSI point of view. To facilitate CDMSI participation in other bodies' activities included in the Strategy, the Secretariat will provide an activity schedule providing regular information on the implementation.

The Bureau took note of information on the up-coming edition of EuroDIG, to take place in Brussels on 9 and 10 June 2016 and of the Council of Europe participation in it. It noted that Secretary General Jagland will attend it together with European Commissioners Ansip and Oettinger, Dunja Mijatovic, OSCE

special representative for freedom of the media, the Estonian Minister of Foreign Affairs and the new ICANN CEO, Mr Göran Marby. Besides, two side events will be organised by the Council of Europe, respectively on the Comparative study on blocking, filtering and take down of content from Internet in the Council of Europe member States and on the project for a new Platform for dialogue with Internet private sector.

The Bureau took also note of information provided by the Secretariat on the next edition of the Internet Governance Forum, that will take place in Guadalajara (Mexico) on 6-9 December 2016.

6. Data Protection

The Bureau took note with interest of the information provided by the Secretariat on the on-going work in the field of data protection and discussed the role and involvement of the CDMSI in it:

- CAHDATA: the Committee of Ministers adopted terms of reference at the end of March, for it to examine outstanding issues regarding the modernisation of Convention 108. The CAHDATA will meet on 15 and 16 June 2016.
- Work carried out by the Consultative Committee of the Convention on the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Personal Data (T-PD):
 - a CM Recommendation on the protection of health data is under preparation and will be sent out to CDMSI for comments in July, after the T-PD meeting at the end of June. It is recalled that once finalised by the T-PD, the draft recommendation will be submitted to the CDMSI for its consideration and further transmission to the Committee of Ministers;
 - draft Guidelines on the protection of individuals with regards to the processing of personal data in a world of big data: exchanges are taking places between the T-PD and the MSI-NET with reciprocal participation of experts. When advanced enough, the draft will be sent out to CDMSI for comments;
 - draft opinion on Passengers Name Records (PNR): aiming at recalling the application of data protection principles to the processing of passengers' data by public authorities; with consultation of other competent committees and bodies of the Council of Europe;
 - Draft Practical guide on the use of personal data in the police sector: the work is on-going, with the help of police specialists.

Besides, the Bureau noted the organisation of an International Conference on the promotion of Convention 108 that will take place in Strasbourg on 17 June. The CDMSI will be represented by Ms Pien van den Eijnden.

7. Work of other Council of Europe institutions and bodies

7.1 Secretary General's initiatives

Comparative Study on Blocking, Filtering and Take-down of illegal Internet content in the 47 member States of the Council of Europe

The Bureau took note of information by the Secretariat on the Comparative Study that will be released to the Committee of Ministers soon and of its main findings. The study is composed of country reports that were communicated to the respective countries for comments and of an analysis. The study was commissioned to the Swiss Institute of Comparative Law of Lausanne and prepared with the help of the Secretariat. Once published, it will enable each country to see what the situation is also in other countries.

2016 Secretary General's Report on Democracy, Human Rights and the Rule of Law in Europe

The Bureau took also note of the 2016 Secretary General's Report on the State of Democracy, Human Rights and the Rule of Law in Europe and of its substantial chapter devoted to freedom of expression. The report signals worrying findings such as increased violence against journalists with a high level of impunity, a trend of higher pressure on journalists' sources that percolates into legal frameworks, arbitrary application of laws, in particular to enhance the protection of public figures against alleged defamation and more interference in editorial lines and journalists' work hampering media independence. The findings regarding Internet draw mostly on the Comparative study mentioned above.

The Bureau discussed possible follow-up of the report, including by the CDMSI. It noted that the Committee of Ministers will examine recommendations and possible follow-up action. The Secretariat will keep the CDMSI informed.

7.2 Committee of Ministers

The Bureau took note of the Priorities of the Estonian Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe (May – November 2016) and their bearing on CDMSI work.

It also took note of information by the Secretariat on the adoption of the following texts and of possible planned or on-going follow-up:

- Recommendation CM/Rec(2016)1 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, adopted on 13 January; some member States have informed the Secretariat of on-going translation in their own language;
- Council of Europe Internet Governance Strategy 2016-2019, on 30 March; for follow-up, see item 5.5;
- Recommendation CM/Rec(2016)4 on protection of journalism and safety of journalists and other media actors, on 13 April; a 3rd interregional dialogue organised by UNESCO, similar than the one co-organised in 2014 in Strasbourg, will take place in Arusha (Tanzania) on 7 September.
- Recommendation CM/Rec(2016)5 on Internet Freedom, on 13 April; a follow-up conference is being organised jointly by Estonia under its chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers and Germany as chair of

OSCE. It will take place in Strasbourg on 9 September. The Secretariat informed the Bureau on the state of play of the organisation;

- Recommendation CM/Rec(2016)3 on human rights and business, on 2 March 2016.

In respect of the Recommendation on Internet freedom, Matthias Traimer informed the Bureau that Austria is reflecting on carrying out an evaluation of Internet freedom. Upon his proposal, the Bureau decided that the CDMSI will be invited, at its next plenary, to reflect on the implementation of the recommendation and how they envisage to carry out the review it contains. Besides, the Bureau also emphasised the need to take the necessary measures to promote it in the framework of EuroDIG.

7.3 Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Rüdiger Dossow, Secretary of PACE Sub-committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media, thanked the Chair for her visit in March. He informed the Bureau of on-going work as well as of past and future events of relevance to the CDMSI work. In particular, he invited the CDMSI to be represented at a conference on Media Freedom as a Cornerstone for Democratic Elections that will take place on 4 July at the Bundestag in Berlin.

Furthermore, Mr Dossow informed the Bureau of the appointment of Mr. Vlodymyr Arieiev (Ukraine), as General Rapporteur for Safety of Journalists and of the remit of his mandate.

Matthias Traimer raised the issue of attacks in Austria on press in the context of information about refugees, the press being accused of lying ("Lügenpresse"), emphasising the need for parliamentarians to address it. This was received with thanks, PACE being very attentive to the problem, and the Sub-committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media will be happy to collaborate with the CDMSI on it.

The Bureau took note of information on the Committee of Ministers reply to a number of PACE Recommendations on which the CDMSI had provided comments following written procedure. It also noted the invitation by the Committee of Ministers to provide comments on PACE Recommendation 2089(2016) "Intellectual property rights in the digital era". Comments have been received from CDMSI members and a draft is being prepared to be considered and finalised at the plenary meeting in June.

7.4 Commissioner for Human Rights

The Secretariat informed the Bureau of the release of the Commissioner's annual activity report, which is also a source of findings on freedom of expression. The Commissioner for Human Rights is very active in the areas of interest of the CDMSI.

The Bureau discussed possible synergies with the Commissioner's work and decided that he should be invited to the next plenary meeting, hoping that he will be able to attend it in person.

7.5 European Commission against racism and intolerance (ECRI)

The Secretariat informed the Bureau about the General Policy Recommendation (GPR) No 15 on Combating Hate Speech, adopted by ECRI on 15 of December 2015, in particular the aspects which relate to freedom of the media and freedom of expression. The Bureau discussed possible ways to take part in the promotion of this ECRI General policy recommendation and agreed that the CDMSI should spread it among its network and possibly explore a joint event with ECRI Secretariat.

7.6 Steering Committee for Heritage, Culture and Landscape (CDCPP)

The Bureau took note of information by the Secretariat who reminded the comments provided by the CDMSI in 2015 on a draft Recommendation on the Internet of citizens. The comments were taken into account; the recommendation was since adopted by the Committee of Ministers.

7.7. European Committee on Legal Co-operation (CDCJ)

The Secretariat recalled the CDMSI's inter-sessional work to prepare comments on a draft recommendation on the legal regulation of lobbying activities in the context of public decision-making and thanked in particular the Chair for her leadership in finalising comments within the short timeframe. The comments by the CDMSI were forwarded to the CDCJ.

7.8 Committee of Experts on Terrorism (CODEXTER)

Ms Maja Raković reported on the CODEXTER Drafting Group she attended in Rome on behalf of the CDMSI working on amendments to Rec(2005)10 on special investigation techniques (8-10 April),

Due to different confidentiality rules at CODEXTER level, the Bureau agreed that only 2005 documents will be openly communicated to the whole CDMSI and that Maja Raković will make an oral presentation of the drafting meeting she attended. The Secretariat was asked to check with CODEXTER Secretariat if this is deemed suitable.

7.9 European Audio-visual Observatory

The Secretariat informed the Bureau on released documents and documents in preparation that are of relevance to the work of the CDMSI. The Bureau took note of the information and agreed to invite a representative of the Observatory for an exchange of views at the 10th plenary meeting of the CDMSI. It also took note of information provided by a Bureau member on the situation of the Greek membership of the Observatory and expressed serious concern.

7.10 Participation of CDMSI members in meetings and events

Elfa Ýr Gylfadóttir reported on the High Level conference of the Council of Europe launching the Strategy for the Rights of the Child 2016-2021, which took place in

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Sofia on 5 and 6 April 2016, where she represented the CDMSI and chaired one session.

Emir Powlakić reported on the SEEDIG meeting (Internet Governance in South East Europe), which he attended on behalf of the CDMSI (Belgrade, 22 April). The outcomes of that meeting will be presented at EuroDIG IN Brussels in June.

8. Other organisation

European Union

Reform of the Audio-visual Media Service Directive (AVMSD) – state of play

Joana Chansel informed the Bureau of on-going and up-coming discussions on the topic. The Bureau agreed that a representative of the European Commission be invited to inform the CDMSI further about the state of play.

9. CDMSI work programme and working methods

9.1 Draft programme / roadmap of CDMSI work

The Bureau discussed working methods in respect of finalisation of draft documents. It agreed that, when finalising draft documents and in order to enable smoother finalisation work, the CDMSI members should send their comments in advance, for them to be incorporated in the draft.

9.2 Evaluation of NGOs participation in Steering Committees

The Secretariat informed the Bureau on the findings and conclusions of a report on the topic. In particular, the report praised the CDMSI for its transparency politics and the active involvement of NGOs in its debate. Silvia Grundmann thanked those members who participated in the survey.

10. Draft agenda of the 9th CDMSI meeting (28 May – 1 July 2016)

The Bureau agreed to the draft agenda for the next plenary meeting of the CDMSI.

Thinking that time has come to address and start preparing the future Conference of Ministers responsible for Media and Information Society, it asked that a corresponding item be added for members to discuss host country and possible topics.

The meeting was closed at 15:20.

Appendix I

**Bureau of the Steering
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and Information Society
– CDMSI-BU**



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Draft Annotated Agenda

1. Opening of the meeting by Jan Kleijssen, Director, Information Society and Action against Crime

2. Adoption of the agenda

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Draft agenda

For decision

Adopt the agenda in view of preparing the 10th meeting of the CDMSI (28 June – 1 July 2016)

3. Standard setting

3.1 Committee of experts on Media Pluralism and Transparency of Media Ownership (MSI-MED)

[MSI-MED\(2016\)05rev](#)

Report of the 1st meeting of the MSI-MED (22-23 March 2016)

For discussion

Take note of information on 1st meeting of the MSI-MED. Discuss the work programme of the Committee of Experts

[MSI-MED\(2016\)03](#)

Draft Recommendation on media pluralism and transparency of media ownership - Issue mapping non-paper prepared by the Secretariat

Hard copies distributed in the room

Draft outline for the draft Recommendation

[MSI-MED\(2016\)04](#)

Feasibility study on a standard-setting instrument on media coverage of elections, with a specific focus on gender equality, and the use of the Internet in elections - Issue mapping non-paper prepared by the Secretariat

3.2 Committee of experts on Internet Intermediaries (MSI-NET)

[MSI-NET\(2016\)04](#)

Report of the 1st meeting of the MSI-NET (17-18 March 2016)

For discussion

Take note of information

on 1st meeting of the MSI-NET. Discuss the work programme of the Committee of Experts

4. Cooperation activities

[MEDIA-COOP\(2016\)01](#)

Accomplished and ongoing projects in the field of media and freedom of expression

For information and discussion

Take note of information provided by Secretariat and discuss

5. Implementation of Council of Europe adopted standards and best practices

5.1 Hearing/workshop on implementation of Council of Europe standards on safety of journalists

CDMSI(2015)018rev2

Compilation and analysis of replies received from CDMSI members on the implementation of Council of Europe relevant standards on safety of journalists

For discussion and decision

Prepare in view of holding a hearing/workshop on the topic.

CDMSI(2016)Misc2Rev6
(hard copies in the room)

Concept note on the Hearing-workshop

5.2 Initiatives in member States

[CDMSI\(2016\)Misc1](#)

Ukraine – Communication - National Council of Television and Radio Broadcasting

For information and discussion

Take note and, where necessary, discuss the issues.

5.3 Defamation

Freedom of expression and defamation: A study of the case-law of the European Court of Human Rights

For discussion

Prepare discussion with the expert of the study, Tarlach McGonagle

5.4 Fear in journalism

Study "Journalists at Risk: part of the job? "

For discussion

Take note of information provided by the Secretariat. Prepare presentation by and exchange of views with expert Marilyn Clark and discuss possible follow-up discussions in the CDMSI

5.5. Internet governance

	<i>Secretary General's final report on the Council of Europe Internet Governance Strategy 2012-2015</i>	For discussion Take note of the report.
Strategy	<i>Council of Europe Internet Governance Strategy 2016-2019</i>	Discuss the implementation of the strategy
EuroDIG EuroDIG - programme	<i>European Dialogue on Internet Governance (9-10 June 2016, Brussels)</i>	For information Take note of information provided by members and the Secretariat on the 2016 edition of EuroDIG and the 2016 meeting of the IGF and discuss.
1st IGF MAG open consultation meeting - Summary	<i>Internet Governance Forum (Guadalajara, 6-9 Dec 2016)</i>	
6. Data protection		
CAHDATA(2016)ToR	<i>Terms of Reference of CAHDATA</i>	For discussion Take note of information provided by the Secretariat
Information document	<i>Consolidated text of the modernised version of Convention 108 (with reservations)</i>	
T-PD-BUR(2016)RAP38Abr	<i>Abridged Report of the 38th meeting of the Bureau of the T-PD (22-24 March 2016)</i>	
T-PD-BUR(2015)10Rev2	<i>Draft Recommendation on the protection of health data</i>	
T-PD-BUR(2015)12Rev2	<i>Draft Guidelines on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data in a world of Big Data</i>	
T-PD-BUR(2015)11rev2	<i>Draft opinion on Passengers Name Records</i>	NB. These four documents are restricted
T-PD(2016)02rev	<i>Draft practical guide on the use of personal data in the police sector</i>	

7. Work of other Council of Europe institutions and bodies

7.1 Secretary General's initiatives

	<i>Comparative study on blocking, filtering and take-down of Internet content in the 47 member States</i>	For discussion Take note of the report and discuss the issues.
Report	<i>3rd Annual Report of the Secretary General on the Human Rights Democracy and the Rule of Law</i>	Take note of the report and discuss the issues

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7.2 Committee of Ministers

CM/Rec(2016)1	<i>Recommendation CM/Rec(2016)1 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>	For information Take note of the adoption by the Committee of Ministers of these recommendations and the Strategy
CM/Rec(2016)4	<i>Recommendation CM/Rec(2016)4 of the Committee of Ministers to member states on the protection of journalism and safety of journalists and other media actors</i>	
CM/Rec(2016)5	<i>Recommendation CM/Rec(2016)5 of the Committee of Ministers to member states on Internet freedom and explanatory memorandum to the draft Recommendation</i>	
Strategy	<i>Council of Europe Internet Governance Strategy 2016-2019</i>	
CM/Rec(2016)3	<i>Recommendation CM/Rec(2016)3 of the Committee of Ministers to member States on human rights and business</i>	

7.3 Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE)

Rec 2074(2015) CM reply CDMSI(2015)013rev	<i>Committee of Ministers reply to Parliamentary Assembly Recommendation 2074 (2015) "Increasing transparency of media ownership"</i>	For information Take note of the replies.
Rec 2075(2015) CM reply CDMSI(2015)014	<i>Committee of Ministers reply to Parliamentary Assembly Recommendation 2075 (2015) "Media responsibility and ethics in a changing media environment"</i>	
Rec 2085(2016) CDMSI(2016)002rev	<i>CDMSI comments on PACE Recommendation 2085(2016) Strengthening the protection and role of human rights defenders in Council of Europe member States</i>	For information Take note of the state of play
Rec 2089(2016)	<i>Recommendation 2089(2016) "Intellectual property rights in the digital era"</i>	For discussion Take note of the CM invitation to comment and discuss

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7.4 Commissioner for Human Rights

[Report](#)

2015 Annual activity report

For information

Take note of information provided by the Secretariat

7.5 European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI)

[General Policy Recommendation](#)

ECRI General Policy Recommendation Combatting Hate Speech

For discussion

Prepare discussion with the Secretary of ECRI on possible synergies between the work of the two organs

7.6 Steering Committee for Heritage, Culture and Landscape (CDCPP)

[CM/ Rec\(2016\)2](#)

Recommendation CM/Rec(2016)2 of the Committee of Ministers to member States on the Internet of citizens

For information

Take note of information

7.7 European Committee on Legal co-operation (CDCJ)

[Draft recommendation](#)

Draft Recommendation of the Committee of Ministers to member states on the legal regulation of lobbying activities in the context of public decision-making.

For information

Take note of the state of play

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CDMSI comments

7.8 Committee of Experts on terrorism (CODEXTER)

[Abridged report](#)

CODEXTER meeting 8-10 April 2016

For discussion

Prepare discussion, if necessary, on the information by Maja Raković, representative of the CDMSI to the CODEXTER

7.9 European Audio-visual Observatory

[Link IRIS](#)

-Territoriality and impact on European works

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-Smart tv and data protection
-On demand services and the material scope of the AVMSD.

For discussion

Prepare discussion, if necessary, on information provided by Maja Cappello

7.10 Participation of CDMSI members in meetings and events

[Link](#)

High-level Launching Conference on the Council of Europe Strategy for the Rights of the Child 2016-2021, Sofia, 5-6 April 2016

For information

Take note of information provided by CDMSI members participating in

Programme *Conference on national parliaments' role in improving freedom, independence, transparency and diversity of media, London 11 April 2016* these events, respectively Elfa Ýr Gylfadóttir, Emir Povolakić, Mark Carvell.

Programme *International Conference – hate Speech as a subject of Regulation and Self-Regulation in the Media – Sofia, 10-11 May 2016.*

8. Other organisations

European Union

Audio-visual Media Service Directive (AVMSD) Reform, State of play

For information and discussion

Prepare discussion, if necessary, on information by the EC representative

9. CDMSI work programme and working methods

9.1 *Draft work programme/roadmap*

Document (to be distributed in the room) *Draft work programme/roadmap*

For discussion

Discuss and agree on follow-up.

9.2 *Evaluation of NGOs participation in Steering Committees*

Report by the Directorate of Internal oversight of the Council of Europe

For information

Take note of information provided by the Secretariat

10. Draft agenda of the 10th CDMSI meeting (28 June – 1 July 2016)

CDMSI(2016)OJ1Prov *Draft preliminary agenda of the 10th CDMSI meeting*

For decision

Agree on the draft preliminary agenda

11. Any other business

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GENERAL REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

Terms of Reference	CDMSI terms of reference 2014-2015
Terms of Reference	CDMSI terms of reference 2016-2017
Terms of reference	MSI-MED terms of reference 2016-2017
Terms of reference	MSI-NET terms of reference 2016-2017
CM/Res(2011)24	Resolution CM/Res(2011)24 on intergovernmental committees and subordinate bodies, their terms of reference and working methods
CDMSI(2016)001Rev3	List and timetable of meetings relevant to the CDMSI in 2016 – up-dated as of 26/04/2016
Political declaration and resolutions	Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Media and Information Society – Freedom of Expression and Democracy in the Digital Age – Opportunities, Rights, Responsibilities. Adopted Political Declaration and Resolutions
CM(2013)162	Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Media and Information Society (Belgrade, 7-8 November 2013) – Report of the Secretary General
CM Decisions	Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Media and Information Society (Belgrade, 7-8 November 2013) – Decisions of the Committee of Ministers

RECENT MEETING REPORTS

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CDMSI-2015)023	Report of the 9 th CDMSI meeting (8-11 December 2015)

Appendix II – list of participants

9th meeting of CDMSI Bureau meeting
Thursday 19 and Friday 20 May 2016

Room G04, Agora

Participants

The gender distribution among 7 attendants was 4 women (57%) and 3 men (43%).

Ms Elfa Ýr Gyöfadóttir, Iceland (Chair)
Media Commission, Ministry of Education, Science and Education. Reykjavik

Mr Emir Povlakić, Bosnia-Herzegovina (Vice-Chair)
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