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**BUREAU OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE
FOR CULTURE, HERITAGE AND LANDSCAPE
(CDCPP)**

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LIST OF DECISIONS

Secretariat Memorandum
prepared by the
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1. Opening of the meeting by the Chair

The meeting was opened by the Chair, Ms Giuliana De Francesco (Italy), who welcomed participants to the meeting (see Appendix I).

The Director of Democratic Participation updated the CDCPP Bureau members on the latest developments at the Council of Europe and how these might affect the work of the Committee.

The Bureau thanked the Director for his comprehensive presentation of the current situation and decided to prepare, possibly together with other Steering Committees, a statement on the future of intergovernmental work at the Council of Europe - and the Committee's role in this - to be forwarded to its Committee of Ministers. The Bureau underlined the importance of transversal analysis and working methods and culture's role as a soft power, unifying and empowering force in the current political context marked by populism, nationalism and racism.

2. Adoption of the agenda

The Bureau adopted the agenda, as it appears in Appendix II.

3. General questions

3.1 *Exchange on CDCPP working methods*

The Bureau of the CDCPP discussed the suggestions to review working methods in order to further enhance the CDCPP's work, in view of its role as a pan-European intergovernmental structure with responsibility for unique culture/heritage/landscape Conventions. The Bureau members agreed to participate actively in the preparation and running of a thematic session for the 2019 plenary session of the CDCPP dealing with a topical societal issue, in line with the debates held on working methods. It amended the list of topics suggested and agreed to dedicate the 2019 plenary session to issues of climate change and sustainable development as related to human rights and democracy, and specifically, culture / heritage/ landscape resources in this context.

3.2 *CDCPP comments on PACE Recommendation 2148 (2019) – “Safeguarding and enhancing intangible cultural heritage in Europe” and PACE Recommendation 2149 (2019) – “The value of cultural heritage in a democratic society”*

Regarding the two above-mentioned PACE Recommendations, the Bureau discussed and developed the proposed draft elements of a possible reply by the CDCPP, with a view to sending the texts to CDCPP delegates for approval and subsequent submission to the GR-C by 3 May 2019.

4. Fields of activities of the CDCPP

4.1 *Culture*

Promoting the CoE's Recommendations on culture and digitisation

The Bureau members agreed to help raise awareness on and disseminate the culture and digitisation Recommendations to cultural and educational policy makers and other interested stakeholders at national level. The available pack includes Recommendation CM/Rec(2018)10 on *Culture's contribution to strengthening the internet as an emancipatory force*, Recommendation CM/Rec (2017)8 on *Big Data for Culture, Literacy and Democracy* and Recommendation CM/Rec (2016)2 on the *Internet of Citizens*.

Follow-up to the expert seminar E-relevance of Culture in the Age of AI (Rijeka, 12-13 October 2018) in the form of a publication, and report on the Council of Europe Conference on AI, Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law (Helsinki, 26-27 February 2019)

The Bureau of the CDCPP noted the results of the conference "Governing the Game Changer" in Helsinki on 26-27 February and the cultural sector's contribution to it. It thanked the representative of the Media Sector of the Council of Europe for her report on the event. The Bureau recognised the important role of the arts and culture in the debate about AI and as vectors in generating the social intelligence and emancipation to accompany new life practices marked by increasing human-machine interaction and hence the pertinence of the Committee's work on culture, digitisation and AI.

The Bureau welcomed the production of a reader on the Rijeka expert seminar on culture, creativity and artificial intelligence, for presentation at the CDCPP's plenary session or at a later stage.

Cultural Policy Review of the Republic of Moldova

The Bureau of the CDCPP noted the forthcoming cultural policy peer review in the Republic of Moldova to take place in September 2019 in the framework of the Council of Europe programme of policy reviews and legal assistance to member States in the fields of culture and heritage.

Progress report on the Association of the Compendium of Cultural Policies and Trends

The Bureau of the CDCPP welcomed the developments regarding the new Association of the Compendium of Cultural Policies and Trends. It agreed to invite member States and interested cultural policy research institutions to become stakeholder members of the new Association and encourage interested parties to attend the 2019 Compendium Assembly (inform: office@culturalpolicies.net). It thanked the French government for hosting this second Assembly of the Association of the Compendium of Cultural Policies and Trends on 5-6 June 2019 in the framework of its Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe. The Bureau members noted the forthcoming in-depth reporting by the Chair and Executive Director of the Compendium Association on the occasion of the CDCPP plenary session in June 2019.

4.2 Heritage

The European Cultural Heritage Strategy for the 21st century (Strategy 21)

The Bureau of the CDCPP welcomed the progress made on the follow-up to Strategy 21 and encouraged member States to promote it at national level, provide good practices/initiatives and report on the implementation of the Strategy. The Bureau members encouraged further the translation of promotional material into national languages, and its dissemination at regional and local levels.

The Bureau agreed to invite CDCPP delegates to contribute to the organisation of promotional events at national level, and underlined the Strategy's relevance for the European Union's Framework for Action on Cultural Heritage.

Bureau members welcomed the forthcoming good practices publication to be presented in the framework of the French Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe at the CDCPP plenary session in June. They underlined the vast potential of Strategy 21 to orient, inspire and assess cultural heritage policies and practices in member States and the importance of fully using it.

Faro Convention Action Plan and Joint Project on promoting the Faro Convention

The Bureau of the CDCPP welcomed the progress made in the implementation of the Faro Convention Action Plan and the Joint Project with the EU "The Faro Way", especially the preparation of the 2nd regional seminar to take place on 16 and 17 May 2019 in Maastricht. Members exchanged and advised on the activities foreseen in 2019 and beyond - including the preparation of a Faro spotlight event on migration and intangible heritage - and expressed their support to the Faro Convention work.

HEREIN

The Bureau of the CDCPP welcomed the progress made in the implementation of HEREIN activities and supported future efforts to consolidate the project. They appreciated the direct management of the website at the Council of Europe and suggested to seek further resources for the optimal development of the project.

Conference on the CoE Convention on Offences relating to Cultural Property (Nicosia, 24-26 October 2019)

The Bureau noted the progress made in the promotion of the CoE Convention on Offences relating to Cultural Property (Nicosia Convention) and advised on forthcoming activities. It thanked the Cypriot Authorities for hosting a promotional conference on 24-26 October in Nicosia and suggested an amendment to the draft agenda of the event. The Bureau invited member States to participate in the event and to sign and ratify the Convention if they have not already done so.

Plans for a possible promotional Joint Project on the Nicosia Convention

The Bureau of the CDCPP noted current exchanges on a possible future Joint Project with the European Union on the promotion of the Nicosia Convention, which could be organised along the lines of the Faro promotional Joint Project.

European Heritage Days

The Bureau of the CDCPP took note of the progress made in the implementation of the European Heritage Days and discussed the Programme's various levels and impacts at European level. It expressed its interest in evaluation questions as well as in receiving statistics on outreach of and participation in EHD events. The Bureau suggested this issue be discussed at the 2019 meeting of the EHD coordinators and finally, expressed its continued support to this European flagship project of the cultural heritage sector.

4.3 *Landscape*

Reference texts of the Committee of Ministers

The Bureau members noted that [Recommendation CM/Rec\(2018\)9 contributing to the implementation of the European Landscape Convention of the Council of Europe: creation of public funds for landscape](#) was adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 14 November 2018.

Parties to the Convention

The Bureau members invited member States that have not yet done so to consider signing and/or ratifying the [European Landscape Convention](#) and also the [Protocol amending the European Landscape Convention](#). They noted, however, that the Protocol enters automatically into force unless the national legal framework explicitly requires ratification.

National landscape policies: Information System

The Bureau welcomed the development of national landscape policies of the States Parties to the European Landscape Convention. It invited the National Correspondents of the [Information System of the European Landscape Convention](#) to complete and/or update the online questionnaire by 15 April, with a view to drawing up national reports of the States Parties to the Convention, and to complete the Convention Information Platform. The Bureau invited the representatives of the States Parties to the Convention, if they so wish, to translate the "[Glossary of the Information System of the European Landscape Convention](#)" (Council of Europe publication, Spatial Planning and Landscape Series, 2018, No. 106) into their national languages.

Council of Europe Conference on the implementation of the European Landscape Convention

The Bureau noted the preparations for the 10th Council of Europe Conference on the implementation of the ELC to be held under the auspices of the Presidency of Finland of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe in Strasbourg on 6-7 May 2019.

Meetings of the Workshops for the implementation of the Convention

The Bureau took note of the positive results of the [22nd Council of Europe Meeting of the Workshops for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention on "Water, landscape and citizenship in the face of global change"](#) held in Seville, Spain on 14-16 March 2019. It also took note of the preparation of forthcoming meetings, namely the 24th CoE meeting of the Workshops for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention, and the celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Convention "*Landscape integration in sectoral policies*" (Lausanne, Switzerland, 19-21 October 2020).

International Landscape Day

The Bureau welcomed the forthcoming Third International Landscape Day to be celebrated on 20 October 2019 on "*Taking care of water landscapes: an exercise of democratic participation*".

Sessions of the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe

Members of the Bureau took note of the current organisation of the 6th session of the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe (2018-2019) and also the 23rd CoE meeting of the Workshops for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention "*Council of Europe Landscape Award Forum of National Selections - 6th Session 2018-2019*" and Celebration of the 6th Session of the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe to be held in 2020.

Landscape Award Alliance of the Council of Europe

The Bureau took note of the continuation of the work to present the [Landscape Award Alliance of the Council of Europe](#).

Landscape Observatory: Information Platform

The Bureau took note of the establishment of the [Information Platform of the European Landscape Convention of the Council of Europe](#), that aims to present the main themes of the Convention, the synthesis reports on national and regional policies for the implementation of the Convention and the work carried out for its implementation.

5. Information concerning other Council of Europe activities in the fields of culture, heritage and landscape

Enlarged Partial Agreement on Cultural Routes (EPA)

The Bureau took note of the progress made with the Enlarged Partial Agreement on Cultural Routes (EPA) and the Joint Project "Routes4You", run together with the European Union.

Other initiatives

The Bureau thanked the Secretariat of the EUR-OPA Major Hazards Agreement for the presentation of the Be-Safe project and agreed to the plan for the award ceremony to take place during the CDCPP plenary session in June.

6. Discussion

Regarding the follow-up to the meeting of the Chairs of the inter-governmental committees, and co-operation with the European Union, the Bureau addressed these issues under items 1 and 3 of the agenda.

7. Any other business

There was no other business.

8. Dates of the next meetings

The next plenary session will take place on 12-14 June in 2019 and the dates of the autumn Bureau session will be decided at a later stage.

9. Close of the meeting

The Secretariat announced that the draft decisions of the Bureau meeting would be sent to members during the afternoon of 5 April, to receive their possible comments by 10 April. The Chair closed the meeting at 1 pm.

APPENDIX I

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APPENDIX II

AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting by the Chair

2. Adoption of the agenda

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3. General questions

- Exchange on CDCPP working methods, including a possible revised set-up and future ambitions for the plenary sessions
- CDCPP comments on PACE Recommendation 2148 (2019) – “Safeguarding and enhancing intangible cultural heritage in Europe” and PACE Recommendation 2149 (2019) – “The value of cultural heritage in a democratic society”

[CDCPP-Bu(2019)1 restricted]

[CDCPP-Bu(2019)2 restricted]

4. Fields of activities of the CDCPP

State of implementation of the 2018-19 work programme and draft calendar of meetings for 2019

4.1 Culture

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Work programme 2019:

Promoting the CoE’s Recommendations on culture and digitisation; follow-up to the expert seminar E-relevance of Culture in the Age of AI (Rijeka, 12-13 October 2018) in the form of a publication, report on the Council of Europe Conference on AI, Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law (Helsinki, 26-27 February 2019); Cultural Policy Review of the Republic of Moldova; Progress report on the Association of the Compendium of Cultural Policies and Trends; follow-up to the Indicator Framework on Culture and Democracy (IFCD).

4.2 Heritage

Work programme 2019:

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Strategy 21 – Good practices publication to be presented in the framework of the French Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe at the CDCPP plenary session; Faro Convention Action Plan and Joint Project on promoting the Faro Convention; HEREIN recent developments; preparations for a promotional conference on the CoE Convention on Offences relating to Cultural Property (Nicosia, October 2019); plans for a possible promotional Joint Project on the Convention; European Heritage Days.

4.3 *Landscape*

Work programme 2019:

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Reference texts of the Committee of Ministers; Parties to the Convention; National landscape policies: Information System; Council of Europe Conference on the implementation of the Convention; Meetings of the Workshops for the implementation of the Convention; International Landscape Day; Sessions of the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe; Landscape Award Alliance of the Council of Europe; Landscape Observatory: Information Platform.

5. Information concerning other Council of Europe activities in the fields of culture, heritage and landscape

- Enlarged Partial Agreement on Cultural Routes (EPA)
- Other initiatives

6. Discussion

Follow-up to the meeting of the Chairs of the inter-governmental committees; co-operation with the European Union and other international bodies and professional associations

7. Any other business

8. Dates of the next meetings

9. Close of the meeting