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# COMMITTEE ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (CAI)

## 5<sup>th</sup> Bureau Meeting

**Strasbourg**

**4 May 2023**

10 am - 12 pm and 1 - 4 pm (CET)

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## ABRIDGED REPORT

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**1. Opening of the meeting**

1. The Chair of the Committee on Artificial Intelligence (CAI), Mr Thomas SCHNEIDER (Switzerland) welcomed the members of the Bureau and outlined the main aims of the meeting namely, to examine the next steps in the elaboration of the [framework] Convention and to prepare the 6<sup>th</sup> Plenary meeting of the Committee.

**2. Adoption of the agenda**

2. The Bureau adopted the agenda without amendments.

**3. Information provided by the Chair, Secretariat, and Bureau members**

3. The Secretariat informed the Bureau about the preparations for the 4th Summit of Heads of State and Government of the Council of Europe, which will take place in Reykjavik, Iceland, on 16-17 May 2023. It further announced that the side event to the next Plenary meeting will be dedicated to the topic of “regulatory sandboxes” and take place on 31 May 2023 during lunch break. The Secretariat also presented its proposal for a collaborative test run of the Draft Methodology for the Risk and Impact Assessment of AI systems (HUDERIA). Finally, the Bureau was informed that the Chair and the Secretariat were invited to participate in a conference on effective political participation and fundamental rights, entitled “Digital Technologies: Democracy and Regulation in Europe and America” organised by the Electoral Tribunal of the Federal Judiciary of Mexico and the Venice Commission.
4. Bureau members informed of their contacts with stakeholders expressing interest in the work of the Committee, including the “Club de Madrid” and non-member States of the Council of Europe.

**4. Preparation of a draft declaration/statement by the Committee**

5. The Bureau prepared a draft communiqué for the public on the work done by the CAI for validation by the Committee at its next meeting, in accordance with the decision taken at the 5<sup>th</sup> Plenary meeting.

**5. Next steps in the elaboration of the draft [framework] Convention**

6. The Chair and the Secretariat updated the Bureau about the next steps in the elaboration of the draft [framework] Convention, namely the specific Chapters of the draft text to be examined by the Drafting Group and the Plenary.
7. The Bureau examined a proposal for the organisation of the upcoming work of the Committee prepared by the Secretariat and decided to submit the issue for discussion at the next Plenary meeting, in accordance with the decision taken at the 5<sup>th</sup> Plenary meeting.

**6. Preparation of the 6<sup>th</sup> CAI Plenary meeting (31 May - 2 June 2023)**

8. The Chair and the Secretariat updated the Bureau about the items on agenda of the 6<sup>th</sup> Plenary meeting.
9. The Secretariat informed the Bureau that Ms Kristine LIČIS (Latvia), Chair of the Steering Committee of Human Rights (CDDH) was invited to give a presentation and hold an exchange of information with the Committee at its upcoming Plenary meeting under agenda item 4.a) Exchange of information with other Council of Europe intergovernmental committees and entities. Her participation was still to be confirmed.

10. The Bureau decided to examine Chapters I to VI together given the importance of the interplay between the provisions concerned and in order for the Plenary to have a comprehensive and holistic view of the topics dealt in these chapters.
11. The Bureau also decided to introduce a new item on the agenda of the 6<sup>th</sup> Plenary meeting in order for the Chair to report on the outcomes of the present meeting and discuss the organisation of the remaining work with the Committee.
12. The Bureau examined and adopted the draft agenda of the 6<sup>th</sup> Plenary meeting, with the modifications mentioned in paragraphs 10 and 11.

**7. Any other business**

13. No issues were raised.