

Strasbourg, 12 November 2019

EUROPEAN COMMITTEE ON LEGAL CO-OPERATION (CDCJ)

GENDER EQUALITY MAINSTREAMING IN LAW REFORM

AD HOC MEETING

12 November 2019 Strasbourg, Council of Europe Palais de l'Europe, Room 8

PROGRAMME

9.30 Opening session

- Welcome
 Ms Zuzana Fišerová (CDCJ member, Czech Republic)
- Gender equality mainstreaming in Council of Europe activities (strategy, approach, key terms)
 Ms Caterina Bolognese, Head of the Gender Equality Division, Directorate General of Democracy, Council of Europe

10.00 Gender equality mainstreaming in law reform – general overview of principles, practice, and challenges

- The problem of gender neutrality and the need for specific reference to women Dr Christine Chinkin, Emerita Professor of International Law, Director of the Centre of Women Peace & Security at the London School of Economic
- Combating gender stereotypes: applying an underlying concept of gender mainstreaming in law reform practice
 Dr Alexandra Timmer, associate professor at the Netherlands Institute of Human Rights
- Questions and answers
- 11.00 Coffee break

11.20 Presentation of practice in the member States

- Gender mainstreaming in law reforms in France
 Alexis Rinckenbach, Chief of Office of the european and international affairs, State secretariat in charge of equality, Directorate general of social cohesion (France)
- Gender mainstreaming in law reforms in Croatia
 Mr Domago Frntic, Judge (Croatia)
- Questions and answers

12.20 Closing session

- Final Questions and answers
- Summary by the rapporteur
 Dr Christoph Henrichs (CDCJ member, Germany)
- 13.00 Closing of the ad hoc meeting