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Plenary session dedicated to the rights of children in migration

Annotated agenda and order of business

Strasbourg, 16 – 17 September 2021

By videoconference

Thursday, 16 September, 9.30 am to 1 pm and 2.30 pm to 6 pm

Friday, 17 September, 9.30 am to 12 pm and from 2.00 pm to 4.30 pm

(Strasbourg time)

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1. Opening of the meeting	
2. Adoption of the agenda and order of business	CDENF(2021)OJ2 CDENF(2021)OJ2ANN CDENF(2021)LOP2
3. Statement by the Chair and the Secretariat	<u>Reference document:</u> CDENF(2020)21rev4 Revised work programme and timetable
4. Age assessment for children in migration (<i>for examination and approval</i>) (Specific task v) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Draft Recommendation of the Committee of Ministers on Human Rights Principles and Implementing Guidelines on age assessment for children in migration - Draft Explanatory Memorandum of the Recommendation 	<u>Working documents:</u> CDENF(2021)08 Restricted Draft recommendation on age assessment CDENF(2021)09 Restricted Draft explanatory memorandum on age assessment <u>Reference documents:</u> CAHENF(2019)LD2 CAHENF(2019)LD1 “ Age assessment for children in migration: a guide for policy makers ” Report on consultations with unaccompanied children on the topic of age assessment
5. Guardianship for unaccompanied and separated children in migration (<i>for examination and approval</i>) (Specific task v) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Draft Explanatory Memorandum of Recommendation CM/Rec(2019)11 on Effective guardianship for unaccompanied and separated children in the context of migration 	<u>Working document:</u> CDENF(2021)10 Restricted Draft explanatory memorandum on guardianship <u>Reference document:</u> Recommendation CM/Rec(2019)11
6. Council of Europe Action Plan on protecting vulnerable persons in the context of migration and asylum in Europe (2021-2025): CDENF-related activities	<u>Reference documents:</u> CM(2021)67-final Action Plan CDENF(2021)11 Overview of CDENF related activities in the Action Plan
7. Review of Recommendation CM/Rec(2019)11 on Effective guardianship for unaccompanied and separated children in the context of migration: workplan (Specific task v)	

It is proposed to adjourn this item to the fifth CDENF plenary meeting in 2022

Point for information only:

Information on other relevant Council of Europe initiatives

[Website of the Children's Rights Division dedicated to children in migration](#)

8. - Joint CoE-European Asylum Support Office (EASO) video animation on age assessment for children in migration, available in additional languages.
- Other publications related to children in migration
- [Joint CoE-European Asylum Support Office \(EASO\) video animation on age assessment for children in migration](#)
[Video animation on age assessment](#)

9. Any other business

10. Date and place of next meeting

- 4th CDENF plenary meeting: 13-15 October 2021

11. Approval of the abridged report of the session

Order of business

Thursday, 16 September 2021		
Timing (CET)	Working Document reference ¹	Agenda item
9:30 am		Opening of the meeting
9:35 am	CDENF(2021)OJ2 CDENF(2021)OJ2ANN CDENF(2021)LOP2	2. Adoption of the agenda and order of business <u>Required action:</u> The CDENF is invited to review and adopt the draft agenda and order of business.
9:40 am	<u>Reference document:</u> CDENF(2020)21rev4 Schedule of CDENF activities	3. Statement of the Chair and the Secretariat <u>Required action:</u> The CDENF is invited to take note of the information provided by the Chair and the Secretariat.
9:45 am	<u>Reference documents:</u> CM(2021)67 Final Action Plan CDENF(2021)11 Overview of CDENF related activities in the Action Plan	6. Council of Europe Action Plan on protecting vulnerable persons in the context of migration and asylum in Europe (2021-2025): CDENF-related activities Presentation by Ambassador Drahoslav Štefánek, Special Representative of the Secretary General on Migration and Refugees <u>Exchange of views</u> with Ambassador Štefánek

¹ Meeting documents will not be screened during the videoconference. CDENF members and observers are invited to have either printed their own copies of the working or reference documents or access those on the Committee's public website www.coe.int/cdenf.

		<i>Time for presentation and questions: 30 minutes</i>
10:15 am	Coffee break (30 minutes)	
10:45 am	<p><u>Working documents:</u></p> <p>CDENF(2021)08 Restricted - Draft recommendation on age assessment</p> <p>CDENF(2021)09 Restricted - Draft explanatory memorandum on age assessment</p> <p>CDENF(2021)15 Restricted - Draft Recommendation with comments</p> <p>CDENF(2021)16 Restricted - Draft Explanatory Memorandum with comments</p> <p><u>Reference documents:</u></p> <p>CAHENF(2019)LD2 CAHENF(2019)LD1 "Age assessment for children in migration: a guide for policy makers"</p> <p>Report on consultations with unaccompanied children on the topic of age assessment</p>	<p>4. Age assessment for children in migration (for examination and approval) (Specific task v)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Draft Committee of Ministers Recommendation on Human Rights Principles and Implementing Guidelines on age assessment for children in migration - (Draft Explanatory Memorandum of the Recommendation) <p><i>The CDENF is invited to examine the draft Recommendation and its Explanatory Memorandum in the light of comments submitted in advance of the meeting with a view of approval of the two documents</i></p> <p>135 minutes</p>
1:00 pm	Lunch break (90 minutes)	
2:30 pm	see above	<p>4. (continued) Age assessment for children in migration (for examination and approval) (Specific task v)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Draft Committee of Ministers Recommendation on Human Rights Principles and Implementing Guidelines on age assessment for children in migration - (Draft Explanatory Memorandum of the Recommendation)

		90 minutes
4:00 pm	Coffee break (30 minutes)	
4:30 pm	see above	<p>4. (continued) Age assessment for children in migration (for examination and approval) (Specific task v)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Draft Committee of Ministers Recommendation on Human Rights Principles and Implementing Guidelines on age assessment for children in migration - Draft Explanatory Memorandum of the Recommendation <p>90 minutes</p>
6:00 pm	End of first day	
Friday, 17 September 2021		
9:30 am	See under point 4., above	<p>4. (continued): Age assessment for children in migration (for examination and approval) (Specific task v)</p> <p>75 minutes</p>
10:45 am	Coffee break (15 minutes)	
11:00 am	<p><u>Working document:</u> CDENF(2021)10 Restricted - draft explanatory memorandum on guardianship</p> <p>CDENF(2021)17Rev Restricted - draft Explanatory Memorandum with comments</p> <p><u>Reference document:</u> Recommendation CM/Rec(2019)11</p>	<p>5. Guardianship for unaccompanied and separated children in migration (for examination and approval) (Specific task v)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Draft Explanatory Memorandum of Recommendation CM/Rec(2019)11 on Effective guardianship for unaccompanied and separated children in the context of migration <p><i>The CDENF is invited to examine the draft Explanatory Memorandum in the light of comments submitted in advance of the meeting with a view of its approval.</i></p> <p>60 minutes</p>
12:00 pm	Lunch break (120 minutes)	

2:00 pm	<i>See above</i>	<p>5. (continued) Guardianship for unaccompanied and separated children in migration (for examination and approval) (Specific task v)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Draft Explanatory Memorandum of Recommendation CM/Rec(2019)11 on Effective guardianship for unaccompanied and separated children in the context of migration <p><i>120 minutes</i></p>
4:00 pm		<p>7. Review of Recommendation CM/Rec(2019)11 on Effective guardianship for unaccompanied and separated children in the context of migration: workplan (Specific task v)</p> <p><i>It is proposed to <u>adjourn</u> this item to the fifth CDENF plenary meeting in 2022</i></p>
4:00 pm	<p>Website of the Children's Rights Division dedicated to children in migration</p> <p>Joint CoE-European Asylum Support Office (EASO) video animation on age assessment for children in migration</p> <p>Video animation on age assessment</p>	<p>8. Point for information only:</p> <p>Information on other relevant Council of Europe initiatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Joint CoE-European Asylum Support Office (EASO) video animation on age assessment for children in migration, available in additional languages. - Other publications related to children in migration
4:00 pm		9. Any other business
4:10 pm		<p>10. Date and place of next meeting</p> <p>- 4th CDENF plenary meeting: 13-15 October 2021</p>
4:20 pm		11. Approval of the abridged report of the session
4:30 pm	<i>End of the plenary session</i>	