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## **STEERING COMMITTEE FOR THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD (CDENF)**

### **15<sup>th</sup> Bureau meeting**

**Online, 16 July 2025**

### **Meeting report**

#### **1. Opening of the meeting**

1. The Chair, Ružica Boškić (Slovenia), opened the meeting and welcomed all Bureau members to the meeting.

#### **2. Adoption of the agenda and order of business**

2. The Bureau adopted the agenda as it appears in Appendix I. The list of participants appears in Appendix II.

#### **3. 12th CDENF Plenary meeting (Strasbourg, 19-21 November 2025)**

3. The Bureau took note of the information provided by the Secretariat regarding the 12th CDENF Plenary, namely regarding the preliminary draft agenda to be approved during the Bureau meeting in September.

#### **4. CDENF Subordinate bodies and groups**

##### **4.1 Committee of Experts on access to child-friendly justice through multidisciplinary and interagency services (ENF-JUS)**

4. Following the call for nominations to fill the vacant position in the ENF-JUS, the Bureau examined the proposals received from national Delegations and commended the excellent qualifications of all candidates.

5. Giving due regard to qualifications, geographical representation, diversity of legal systems, periodic rotation of member States, and based on the complementarity of expertise already present among ENF-JUS members, the Bureau agreed to propose **Daniela Simboteanu**, (Republic of Moldova) as new member of the ENF-JUS.

6. The Bureau instructed the Secretariat to consult the CDENF through a written procedures and draw the attention of all CDENF members to the possibility of sending national representatives, at their own expense, to participate in the work of the ENF-JUS.

## **5. Procedure for observers to the Steering Committee and its sub-committees**

7. The Bureau examined the requests submitted by the Barnahus Network for observer status to the CDENF and the ENF-JUS, and by SOS Children's Village International for observer status to the ENF-JUS (SOS Children's Village is an observer to the CDENF and the ENF-VAE, according to their respective mandates).

8. The Bureau agreed to that these requests should be handled by the CDENF via a tacit written procedure and recommended the approval by the CDENF of both requests for observer status submitted by the Barnahus Network and SOS Children's Village International.

## **6. Other CDENF main deliverables**

### **6.1. Thematic review of the child friendly-justice guidelines**

9. The Bureau took note of the information provided by the Secretariat regarding the ongoing process of revision of the Guidelines on child-friendly justice taking place within the CDENF's mandate, in coordination with the European Committee on Crime Problems (CDPC) and the European Committee on Legal Cooperation (CDCJ). In this respect, the Bureau took note that a joint meeting with the CDPC and the CDCJ took place on 17 June 2025, at which Maria Andriani Kostopoulou (CDENF consultant) presented the draft report on the thematic review of these guidelines. During this joint meeting, the decision was made to move the deadline for comments on this draft report from mid-July to mid-August 2025.

### **6.2. Child right impact assessment tool (CRIA) on artificial intelligence**

10. The Bureau took note of the information provided by the Secretariat regarding the ongoing work in the Council of Europe on a HUDERIA tool to assess the impact of artificial intelligence (AI) systems on human rights, which could delay the work on a complementary CRIA (Child Rights Impact Assessment) on AI.

11. The Bureau approved the suggestion of the Secretariat to extend the deadline on the finalisation of a CRIA tool on AI until the end of 2027.

## **7. Follow-up on transversal activities**

12. The Bureau took note of the call for comments on a Recommendation on online safety and empowerment of content creators and users, shared with Célia Chamiça (Portugal) in her capacity of CDENF reference person for new technologies, including AI. The Bureau approved the suggestion put forward by Célia Chamiça to consult children and include their views in her comments.

## **8. Any other business**

13. Solvor Bäcklund (Norway) informed the bureau of current national activities to provide parental support as a preventive measure. Ružica Boškić (Slovenia) informed the bureau of ongoing processes amending foster care, including a potential child consultation on foster care.

## **9. Date and place of next meetings**

14. The Bureau confirmed the dates for its next meeting (25-26 September 2025) and agreed to explore the possibility of meeting in Paris, to facilitate the travel of the bureau members.

**10. Approval of the meeting report**

15. The meeting report was circulated shortly after the meeting and approved by all Bureau members via written procedure.

## **APPENDIX I – Agenda**

Agenda Item	Working documents Reference documents
1. Opening of the meeting	
2. Adoption of the agenda  <u>Required action:</u> The Bureau is invited to review and adopt the draft agenda of this Bureau meeting.	<u>Working document</u> CDENF/Bu(2025)OJ2 prov
3. 12 <sup>th</sup> CDENF Plenary meeting (Strasbourg, 19-21 November 2025)  <u>Required action:</u> The Bureau is invited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take note of the information provided by the Secretariat regarding the 12<sup>th</sup> CDENF Plenary.</li> </ul>	<u>Working document</u> <a href="#">CDENF(2025)OJ02prov</a>
4. CDENF Subordinate bodies and groups	<u>Working document</u> CDENF-Bu(2025)01 List of nominations received for ENF-JUS (restricted document)  <u>Reference document</u> <a href="#">Terms of Reference of the ENF-JUS (2025-2026)</a>  <a href="#">Members of the ENF-JUS</a>  <a href="#">Barnahus: a European Journey</a> Mapping study on multidisciplinary and interagency child-friendly justice models responding to violence against children in Council of Europe member states
4.1 Committee of Experts on access to child-friendly justice through multidisciplinary and interagency services ( <a href="#">ENF-JUS</a> )  <u>Required action:</u> The Bureau is invited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take note of the information provided by the Secretariat.</li> <li>Preselect the new expert member among the candidates proposed by Delegations, giving due regard to qualifications, geographical</li> </ul>	<u>Working documents</u> CDENF(2025)INF3 Request of the observer status letter (restricted document)  <u>Reference documents</u> <a href="#">Resolution CM/Res(2021)3 on intergovernmental committees and subordinate bodies, their terms of reference and working methods</a> <a href="#">Commentary of the CM/Res(2021)3</a>

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representation, different legal systems, and periodic rotation of member States.

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**5. Procedure for observers to the Steering Committee and its sub-committees**

Required action: The Bureau is invited to:

- Exchange on the handling of requests for observer status to the CDENF and its sub-committees
- Examine the request submitted by the *Barnahus Network*

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**6. Other CDENF main deliverables**

**6.1 Thematic review of the child friendly-justice guidelines**

Required action: The Bureau is invited to:

- Take note of the information provided by the Secretariat.

Working document

[CDENF\(2025\)03 rev1 Full](#)

Draft report on the thematic review of the Guidelines of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe on child-friendly justice

Reference documents

[Guidelines of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe on Child friendly Justice](#)

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**6.2 Child right impact assessment tool (CRIA) on artificial intelligence**

Required action: The Bureau is invited to:

- Take note of the information provided by the Secretariat.

Working document

[CDENF\(2024\)24](#) – Draft Concept note for future CDENF action in view of the feasibility, timeliness and pertinence of elaborating a Child rights impact assessment tool on artificial intelligence

Reference documents

[Mapping Study on the Rights of the Child and artificial intelligence –Legal Frameworks that Address AI in the Context of Children's Rights](#)

[Council of Europe Framework Convention on Artificial Intelligence and human rights, democracy and the rule of law](#)

[Declaration on protecting children against sexual exploitation and sexual abuse facilitated by emerging](#)

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[technologies of the Lanzarote Committee](#)

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**7. Follow-up on transversal activities**

Required action: The Bureau is invited to:

- Take note of the information provided by the Secretariat on the transversal issues.
- Submit any comments and drafting proposals on the draft recommendation and the draft guidance note to the Secretariat by August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

Working documents

MSI-eSEC(2025)03rev.2

Recommendation on online safety and empowerment of content creators and users



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MSI-AI(2025)10 Guidance Note on the Implications of Generative Artificial Intelligence for Freedom of Expression



MSI-AI(2025)10\_Draft Guidance Note on th

**8. Any Other Business**

Dates proposal:

25-26 September 2025 (place to be confirmed)

**9. Date and place of the next meeting**

**10. Approval of the meeting report**

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## **APPENDIX II – List of participants**

### **Bureau Members**

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