Bureau of Steering Committee on Media and Information Society – CDMSI-BU

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15th meeting
11-12 April 2019
(09h30-18h00)

Palais de l'Europe, Room 16

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Draft Annotated Agenda

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1. Opening of the meeting

For information and discussion

Mr Jan Kleijssen, Director, Information Society and Action against crime Directorate, Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law will address the delegates.

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2. Adoption of the agenda

CDMSI(2010)OJ1	*Draft agenda*

For decision

Adopt the meeting agenda with a view to preparing the 16th meeting of CDMSI (4-6 June 2019)

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3. Standard setting

3.1 Committee of experts on Human Rights Dimensions of Automated Data Processing and Different Forms of Artificial Intelligence (MSI-AUT)

MSI-AUT(2019)08	*Report of the 3rd meeting of the MSI-AUT (18-19 March 2019)*
MSI-AUT(2018)06rev	*Draft Recommendation of the Committee of Ministers to member states on human rights impacts of algorithmic systems*
MSI-AUT(2018)05rev	*Draft Study of the implications of advanced digital technologies (including AI systems for the concept of responsibility within a human rights framework)*
MSI-AUT(2018)04rev	*Draft Study on forms of liability and jurisdictional issues in the application of civil and administrative defamation laws in Council of Europe member states*

Decl(13/02/2019)1	*Adoption of Declaration of the Committee of Ministers on the manipulative capabilities of algorithmic processes*

For discussion

Take note of and discuss the draft deliverables and information related to the 3rd meeting of the MSI-AUT. Discuss possible awareness-raising and promotion of the Declaration.

3.2 Committee of experts on Quality Journalism in the Digital Age (MSI-JOQ)

MSI-JOQ(2019)11	*Report of the 3rd meeting of the MSI-JOQ (21-22 March 2019)*
MSI-JOQ(2018)08rev2	*Draft Recommendation on promoting a favourable environment for quality journalism in the digital age*
MSI-JOQ(2018)10	*Draft Study on developing skills to recognise and value quality journalism in the digital environment*
Powerpoint presentation	*A first glimpse on results from the survey*
Decl(13/02/2019)2	*Adoption of Declaration on the financial sustainability of quality journalism in the digital age*

For discussion
Take note of and discuss the draft deliverables and information related to the 3rd meeting of the MSI-JOQ. Discuss possible aware raising and promotion of the Declaration.

4. Cooperation activities

MEDIA-COOP(2018)01rev3	*Update on-going projects in the field of media and freedom of expression*

For information and discussion
Take note of and discuss information provided by the Secretariat.

5. Implementation of Council of Europe adopted standards and best practices

5.1 Initiatives in member states

	France – law to combat "fake news" and disinformation
	UK – conference on media freedom and safety of journalists (10-11 July 2019) *On line harm: Report of Select Committee on Digital, Culture, Media and government white paper* *Uk Centre for Data Ethics (algorithmic systems, AI)*
	Iceland – update on Iceland's modern Media Initiative (IMMI) under which a committee on legislative reform in the field of freedom of expression, media and information has been tasked with reviewing existing bills, including those on defamation, information law, hate speech, data storage, and the responsibility of host providers, in line with international standards.

For information and discussion	
Take note of and discuss information provided by delegates on initiatives taken in their respective countries.	
5.2 Internet governance	
[CM(2016)10-final](#)	*Council of Europe Internet Governance Strategy 2016-2019*
For information and discussion Discuss the progress of the implementation of the existing strategy and the work under way on the new strategy on the basis of oral information by the Secretariat.	
[IGF](#)	*Internet Governance Forum (25-29 November 2019, Berlin)*
For information Take note of CDMSI and of Council of Europe secretariat involvement in the IGF 2019 (*25-29 November, Berlin*).	
[ICANN (web page)](#)	*Secretariat and Members' participation in ICANN activities.*
For information Take note of state of CDMSI and Council of Europe involvement in ICANN activities.	
5.3 Implementation of the CM Recommendation [CM/Rec(2016)4](#) on protection of journalism and safety of journalists and other media actors	
[CDMSI(2018)005rev](#)	*Strategy for the Implementation of the CM Recommendation on protection of journalism and safety of journalists and other media actors* *Qualitative study on threats and pressures experienced by journalists in Europe (for information only)*
	Italy – information on the set up of a "Coordination centre on the monitoring, analysis and permanent exchange of information on the intimidation of journalists".
5.4 Platform to Promote the Protection of Journalism and the Safety of Journalists	
[Link](#)	*Annual report by the partner organisations to the Council of Europe Platform to Promote the Protection of Journalism and Safety of Journalists*
For discussion Take note of and discuss: • Progress underway in respect of the implementation of CM/Rec(2016)4 Implementation Strategy • Preparation of a qualitative study on fear as a factor affecting choices between self-censorship and ethical journalism in Europe (working title) • Possible information by members, participants and observers and exchange of best practices • The current state of play of the Platform in view of the 2019 Annual Report by the	

partner organisations.

5.5 Implementation of Recommendation [CM/Rec(2013)1](#) on gender equality and media

Link	*Questionnaire*
Link	*Handbook on implementation of CM/Rec(2013)1*

For information

Questionnaire for the evaluation of the implementation of the CM/Rec(2013)1, carried out together with Gender Equality Commission.

5.6 Implementation of Recommendation [CM/Rec(2018)1](#) on media pluralism and transparency of media ownership

Link	*Conference "Media Pluralism – How can we deliver" (Strasbourg, 20 March 2019)*

6. European Convention on Transfrontier Television

[CDMSI(2017)004](#)	*Information note on the Revision of the European Convention on Transfrontier Television (ECTT)*
[CDMSI(2017)misc1rev8](#)	*Revised summary of answers received to a questionnaire on the revision of the European Convention on Transfrontier Television (ECTT)*

For discussion

7. Data protection

[T-PD(2019)01](#)	*Guidelines on Artificial Intelligence and data protection*
[T-PD(2018)9rev](#)	*Report "Artificial Intelligence and Data Protection: Challenges and Possible Remedies"*
[CM/Rec(2019)2](#)	*Recommendation CM/Rec(2019)2 of the Committee of Ministers to member Stateson the protection of health-related data*
[T-PD(2018)11rev3](#)	*Draft explanatory memorandum*
[T-PD(2019)02rev](#)	*Information document on cooperation projects*

For information

8. Work of other Council of Europe institutions and bodies

8.1 Secretary General's initiatives

For information and discussion

[High-level conference](#) on AI, Helsinki, 26-27 February 2019 and its [conclusions](#).

Abridged SG report on the state of human rights, democracy and the rule of law, to be presented at the 129th session of the CM, Helsinki 16 -17 May 2019

8.2 Committee of Ministers

Link	*Secretary General exchange of views with the CM on freedom of expression (28 March tbc)*
CM/Rec(2018)7 Link	*Committee of Ministers' Recommendation on Guidelines for member states to respect, protect and fulfil children's rights in the digital environment* *Council of Europe Strategy for the Rights of the Child (2016-2021)*
Link Synopsis	*Committee of Ministers Thematic Coordinator on Information Policy – TC-INF* *Meeting of 7 February 2019 in which an "Overview of DGII Action – "Democracy in the Digital Age" was provided.*

For information and discussion

Take note of information provided.

8.3 Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

PACE Rec 2130 (2018)	*PACE Recommendation 2130 (2018) – "Legal challenges related to hybrid war and human rights obligations"*
CDMSI(2018)010	*CDMSI comments on PACE Recommendation 2130 (2018) – "Legal challenges related to hybrid war and human rights obligations "*
CM Reply	*Committee of Ministers' reply to CDMSI comments*
PACE Rec 2144 (2019)	*PACE Recommendation 2144 (2019) "Internet governance and human rights"*
CDMSI(2019)002	*CDMSI comments on PACE Recommendation 2144 (2019) "Internet governance and human rights"*

For information

Take note of information by the Secretariat on the state of play of CDMSI comments and, where relevant, of CM replies.

8.4 Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of Europe

Annual Report 2018

8.5 Conference of INGOs of the Council of Europe

8.6 Council of Europe Counter-Terrorism Committee (CDCT)

Counter-Terrorism Strategy (2018 -2022)	*Information on on-going-work of the CDCT*

8.7 Steering Committee for Human Rights (CDDH)	
Freedom of expression and links with other human rights (CDDH-EXP)	*Information on on-going work on the Guide to good national practices on how to reconcile freedom of expression with other rights and freedoms, in culturally diverse societies*
CDDH-EXP(2019)R4	*Report of 4th meeting of CDDH-EXP*

8.8 European Audio-visual Observatory and EPRA	
OEA	*European Audio-visual Observatory web site*
EPRA	*European Platform of Regulatory Authorities website*

For information
Take note of the last works of the Observatory and of EPRA and of latest developments.

8.9 Participation of CDMSI members in meetings and events	
Report by Emir Povlakić	*4th meeting of the Drafting Group on freedom of expression and links to other human rights (CDDH-EXP) (Strasbourg, 20-21 March 2019)*
Report by Elfa Ýr Gylfadóttir	*"Tackling gender stereotypes and sexism" (Helsinki, 28-29 March 2019)*
Report by Thomas Schneider	*"Governing the Game Changer – Impacts of artificial intelligence development on human rights, democracy and the rule of law" (Helsinki, 26-27 February 2019)*

For information

Take note of information by CDMSI members

9. Other organisations

9.1 European Union

For information

Take note of the information delivered by the Representative of Romania on current Presidency of the EU

Take note of the information delivered by the Representative of Finland on the next Presidency of the EU

9.2 UNESCO

Internet Universality Indicators

For discussion

Take note of information provided by UNESCO on Internet Universality Indicators.

10. CDMSI work programme and working methods

10.1 Conference of ministers responsible for media and information society

(Nicosia, Cyprus, 28-29 May 2020)	
Resolution CM/Res(2011)7	*Resolution CM/Res(2011)7 on Council of Europe conferences of specialised ministers*
CM(2018)146 CM/Del/Dec(2018)1330/5.1	*CM approval of the Conference of Ministers responsible for Media and Information Society (Nicosia, Cyprus, May 2020)*
	Background paper on the implementation of CM/Rec(2016)4 on the safety of journalists and other media actors *Related draft ministerial resolution*
	Background paper on the changing paradigm of the media environment and its impact on democratic processes *Related draft ministerial resolution*
	Background paper on Implications of AI technologies for freedom of expression *Related draft ministerial resolution*
10.2 Discussion of CDMSI priorities 2020-2021	
10.3 Evaluation by the Directorate of Internal Oversight (DIO)	
For information Take note of information by the Secretariat of two evaluations currently underway: the "Council of Europe support to the protection and promotion of freedom of expression" and the "Evaluation of Intergovernmental Committees".	
11. Election of one new Bureau member	
12. Draft agenda of the 16th CDMSI plenary meeting (4-6 June 2019)	
13. Any other item	

GENERAL REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

Terms of reference	*CDMSI terms of reference 2018-2019*
Terms of Reference	*CDMSI terms of reference 2016-2017*
Terms of reference	*MSI-JOQ terms of reference 2018-2019*
Terms of reference	*MSI-AUT terms of reference 2018-2019*
CM/Res(2011)24	*Resolution CM/Res(2011)24 on intergovernmental committees and subordinate bodies, their terms of reference and working methods*

CDMSI(2018)001rev3	*List and timetable of meetings relevant to the CDMSI in 2018 – up-date as of 18/10/2018*
Political declaration and resolutions	*Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Media and Information Society – Freedom of Expression and Democracy in the Digital Age – Opportunities, Rights, Responsibilities. Adopted Political Declaration and Resolutions*
CM(2013)162	*Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Media and Information Society (Belgrade, 7-8 November 2013) – Report of the Secretary General*
CM Decisions	*Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Media and Information Society (Belgrade, 7-8 November 2013) – Decisions of the Committee of Ministers*

RECENT MEETING REPORTS

CDMSI(2018)012	*Report of the 15th meeting of CDMS((27-30 November 2018)*
CDMSI-BU(2018)001	*Report of 14th meeting of the CDMSI Bureau (16 - 17 October 2018)*