

CDMSI-BU(2024)01

26<sup>th</sup> meeting  
Friday 17 May 2024  
(9:30 – 12:30; 14:00 – 17:00)  
*Online*

**DRAFT AGENDA**

Morning session 9:30 – 12:30

**1. Opening of the meeting**

Mr Matjaz GRUDEN, Director, Directorate for Democracy, Directorate General of Democracy and Human Dignity (tbc)

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

*Draft agenda*

**3. Ongoing standard setting work**

**3.1 CDMSI expert committees' work progress**

- [Committee of Experts online safety and empowerment of content creators and users \(MSI-eSEC\)](#)
- [Committee of Experts on the Implications of Generative Artificial Intelligence for Freedom of Expression \(MSI-AI\)](#)

**3.2 Work progress related to the further expected deliverables under CDMSI Terms of Reference**

- Ten steps to counter disinformation - Strategy and practical tools based on existing Council of Europe standards and other instruments.
- Feasibility study on immersive reality applications and their implications for freedom of expression
- Indicators for media and information literacy (MIL) strategies at national level

Information provided by the Secretariat and discussion.

**4. Council of Europe Campaign for the Safety of Journalists**

- Progress report on most recent developments and forthcoming work
- Information provided by the Secretariat and discussion.

## 5. Follow-up to the CDMSI's previous work

- Report on Secretary General meeting with Chairs of intergovernmental committees – by Maja ZARIC, Chair of the CDMSI.
- Appointment of CDMSI rapporteurs on transversal issues and liaison contacts with partner Committees.
- Update on [Recommendation CM/Rec\(2024\)2 on countering the use of strategic lawsuits against public participation \(SLAPPs\)](#), adopted by the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe on 5 April 2024, and on the deliverables from the biennium 2022/2023

Information provided by the Secretariat and discussion.

## 6. Latest developments in the work of the Council of Europe and its partner institutions that are of relevance to CDMSI.

- **Council of Europe**
  - Information on the draft Council of Europe Framework Convention on AI and Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law and the future work of the Council of Europe Committee on Artificial Intelligence (CAI) - by Thomas SCHNEIDER, Chair of the CAI
- **External partners**
  - European Media Freedom Act (EMFA)
  - EU SLAPPs Directive on protecting persons who engage in public participation from manifestly unfounded claims or abusive court proceedings ('Strategic lawsuits against public participation')

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## 7. Preparation for the 25<sup>th</sup> CDMSI Plenary meeting (18-20 June in Strasbourg)

- **Discussion and suggestions for new topics**
  - Council of Europe support to World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS)
  - Council of Europe work towards a legal mechanism to support European drama series production under [CDCPP](#) authority.
  - Freedom of expression in times of elections
- **Events during the week of the 25<sup>th</sup> CDMSI plenary**
  - Second Meeting of the National Focal Points to the Campaign on the Safety of Journalists
  - No Hate Speech week – CDMSI Seminar on “Media and hate speech” in joint Plenary with the Steering Committee on Anti-Discrimination, Diversity and Inclusion ([CDADI](#))

○ **25<sup>th</sup> CDMSI Plenary: planned and potential exchange of views**

- Anna HEROLD, Head of Unit Audiovisual and Media Services Policy, DG Connect, on EMFA and other EU legislative developments.
- Michael O'FLAHERTY, Council of Europe [Commissioner for Human Rights](#)
- [European Steering Committee on Youth](#) and [Advisory Council on Youth](#)
- Ms. Valentina GRIPPO (Italy, ALDE), PACE General Rapporteur on Media Freedom and Safety of Journalists, and Ms. Tonia ANTONIAZZI (United Kingdom, SOC), PACE Rapporteur on Propaganda and Freedom of Information in Europe
- Council of Europe Steering Committee for Education ([CDEDU](#))
- Steering Committee for Human Rights in the fields of Biomedicine and Health ([CDBIO](#))
- Council of Europe Cooperation activities on freedom of expression – Ms. Alina TATARENKO, , Head of [Division for Cooperation on Freedom of Expression](#), Council of Europe
- [European Audiovisual Observatory](#)
- [European Platform of Regulatory Authorities](#)
- [LEGO Group](#)

**8. Recent country-specific developments** in the field of freedom of expression -*tour de table*.

**9. Co-operation with [Council of Europe Partnership with Digital Companies](#)**

Information provided by the Secretariat and discussion.

**10. Participation in events of relevance for the CDMSI**

- Information provided by the Bureau members
- Information provided by the Secretariat

**11. Any other business**

- Date and place of next meeting