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EUROPEAN COMMITTEE ON CRIME PROBLEMS (CDPC)

Council of Europe Network of Prosecutors on Migrant Smuggling (CDPC-NPMS)

1st meeting

10-11 May 2022 10:00 – 12:30 / 14:00 – 17:00 10:00 – 12:30

Council of Europe Office, Paris, Room 1

In-person meeting

DRAFT AGENDA

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10 May 2022	
10:00	Opening of the meeting. Welcome and opening remarks by Mr Carlo CHIAROMONTE, Head of Criminal Law and Counter-Terrorism, Secretary to the CDPC, Council of Europe.
	Presentation by Mr Calogero FERRARA , Council of Europe's Expert to the Network, on CDPC activities concerning the smuggling of migrants, on the drafting of the Action Plan and its process, and on the implementation of the different Actions and mainly Action n°1.
	Tour de table. Introduction by the participants (function, expertise, experience in the field of migrants smuggling and in other networks).
11:30	Session I. Discussion on: the set up and functioning of the Network (designation of the members and their effective powers, communication and information-sharing process, potential use of a dedicated website, other instruments of speedy communication); future tasks and activities of the Network (potential creation of an annual newsletter on best practices on investigative, prosecutorial and judicial challenges in migrant smuggling-related cases, report and selection of relevant decisions of common interest); any other possible proposals or ideas from the participants.
12:30	Lunch break.
For the following Sessions II and III, participants are invited to present their national situation with regards to issues addressed and to get actively involved in the discussion.	
14:00	Session II. Information-sharing on recent evolutions/trends of migrant smuggling and related issues (actors involved, routes, modii operandi, links with other types of crime, protection of victims, tracking of financial flows, etc.).
16:00	Session III. Exchange of best practices on investigative and prosecutorial aspects (investigative tools and strategies, international cooperation issues, judicial assessment of high-profile case, cooperation practices, etc).
17:00	End of meeting's day one.

11 May 2022	
10:00	Continuation of Session III. The financial investigations on migrants' smuggling and the necessity of cooperation with other stakeholders (money transfer services, Financial Intelligence Units, etc.). Best practices on freezing and confiscation proceedings.
11:00	Session IV. Discussion on other Actions of the Action Plan of possible relevance and in particular Action n°5, i.e. on what kind of concrete information (on national judicial and legislative frameworks) and the means of providing it by CDPC members, to feature in the country profiles on migrant smuggling.
12:00	Summary of discussion and final remarks.
12:30	End of meeting's day two.