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# Committee of Experts on Access to Origins (CJ-OR)

1<sup>st</sup> meeting

3-5 June 2025

## Strasbourg, Agora Building – room G02 (3-4 June) and Palais Building – room 12/13 (5 June)

### Agenda

1.	Opening of the meeting and welcome	Reference document  • Provisional list of participants CJ-OR(2025)LP1 prov	
2.	Adoption of the agenda and order of business	Working document  • Draft agenda  CJ-OR(2025)OJ1 prov	
3.	Introduction by the Secretariat	<ul> <li>Background to the CJ-OR and start of the work on a draft recommendation on the rights of donor-conceived persons to know their origins</li> <li>Presentation of the CDCJ and CJ-OR: set-up, roles and tasks according to their terms of references</li> <li>Working methods of the CJ-OR, preparation of legal instruments under expert committees' authority</li> <li>Information on election of CJ-OR's Vice-Chair, and appointment of its Gender Equality Rapporteur</li> <li>Working document         <ul> <li>Proposals for a draft workplan and calendar of CJ-OR activities for 2025-2026</li> <li>CJ-OR(2025)02 prov (restricted)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Background documents         <ul> <li>Terms of Reference of the CDCJ</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

- Terms of Reference of CJ-OR CJ-OR(2025)01
- Reply of the Committee of Ministers to the Parliamentary <u>Assembly on Recommendation 2156 (2019) on Anonymous</u> <u>donation of sperm and oocytes: balancing the rights of</u> <u>parents, donors and children – CM/AS(2019)Rec2156-final</u> (adopted on 9 October 2019)
- Recommendation 2156 (2019) of the Parliamentary Assembly on Anonymous donation of sperm and oocytes: balancing the rights of parents, donors and children
- Report of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development on "Anonymous donation of sperm and oocytes: balancing the rights of parents, donors and children", Doc. 14835, 20 February 2019

#### Reference documents

- Resolution CM/Res(2021)3 on intergovernmental committees and subordinate bodies, their terms of reference and working methods (applicable as of 1 January 2022)
- Resolution CM/Res(2011)7 on Council of Europe conferences of specialised ministers
- Recommendation CM/AS(2014)Rec2029 final on "The participation of non-member States in Council of Europe conventions"
- Working methods of CDCJ
- <u>Criteria to assess requests for observer status with the CDCJ and its subordinate bodies and decision-making processes</u>
- Checklist for assessment of gender equality aspects and impact

4. Overview of key issues as regards the right of donor-conceived persons to know their origins

Presentation by the Secretariat and the Registry of the ECtHR

#### Background document

• Comparative study on access of persons conceived by gamete donation to information on their origins

Exchange of views on social and ethical implications of assisted reproduction for individuals, families and society

- Mia Dambach, Executive Director of Child Identity Protection
- Professor Vasanti Jadva, Professor of Family Psychology, Department of Psychology, City St George's, University of London
- Audrey and Arthur Kermalvezen, Co-founders of Association Origines
- Hélène Loos, oocyte donor
- Marie-Joëlle Gros, member of the Board of Directors of the Collectif Bamp! and member of the Commission for access to data from third-party donors for persons born through medically assisted procreation (Commission d'accès des personnes nées d'une assistance médicale à la procréation aux données des tiers donneurs (CAPADD))
- Laura Rabinad Lizano, Biologist and Psychologist, PhD Candidate in Reproductive Social Psychology, Specialist in Donor Conception Counselling

Examination of the possible scope and issues to be covered by the future draft recommendation

#### Working document

 Elements and outline of the future draft recommendation CJ-OR(2025)04 (restricted)

#### Background documents

- Case Law of the European Court of Human Rights on the rights of donor-conceived persons to know their origins CJ-OR(2025)03
- Overview of European and international standards concerning the rights of donor-conceived persons to know their origins CJ-OR(2025)05
- Questions concerning the elements of the future draft recommendation CJ-OR(2025)06
- Compilation of replies received concerning the elements of the future draft recommendation CJ-OR(2025)07 (restricted)

Election of a Vice-Chair

Appointment of a Gender Equality Rapporteur

#### 7 Elections and appointments

#### Reference document

 Election of a Vice-Chair and appointment of a Gender Equality Rapporteur
 CJ-OR(2025)08

Discussion concerning the scope, principles, and issues to be covered by the future recommendation

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#### 8 Any other business

9 Adoption of the meeting report

Working document

 Draft meeting report CJ-OR(2025)09 prov

#### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

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Date	Timetable CET	Agenda items
3/06/2025	9:30 – 17:00	1-5
4/06/2025	9:30 – 17:00	6, 7
5/06/2025	9:30 – 17:00	6, 8-9