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Strasbourg, 27 October 2026 CJ-OR(2026)OJ2

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

**4th meeting**

**27-29 October 2026**

**Strasbourg, Agora Building – Room G02 and online**

**Agenda**

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| **1.** | **Opening of the meeting** | Working document<br>• List of participants CJ-OR(2026)LP2 |
| **2.** | **Adoption of the agenda and order of business** | Working document<br>• Agenda CJ-OR(2026)OJ2 |
| **3.** | **Information by the Chair and the Secretariat** | Working documents<br>• Report of the CDCJ 106th plenary meeting (2-4 June 2026) CDCJ(2026)16<br>• Report of the 125th meeting of the Bureau of the CDCJ (6-7 October 2026) CDCJ-BU(2026)04<br>• Workplan and calendar of CJ-OR activities for 2025-2027 CJ-OR(2025)02 rev2 prov |

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| **4** | **Draft Recommendation on the rights of donor-conceived persons to know their origins and its draft explanatory memorandum** | Working documents<br>• Draft recommendation on the rights of donor-conceived persons to know their origins<br>CJ-OR(2025)10 prov5 *(restricted)*<br>• Elements of the draft explanatory memorandum to the draft recommendation<br>CJ-OR(2026)03 prov *(restricted)*<br>• Compilation of CJ-OR comments received on the draft recommendation on the rights of donor-conceived persons to know their origins (version CJ-OR(2025)10 prov5)<br>CJ-OR(2026)04 *(restricted)*<br><br>Background documents<br>• Compilation of comments received from CDCJ members on the draft recommendation on the rights of donor-conceived persons to know their origins (version CJ-OR(2025)10 prov4)<br>CDCJ(2026)13 rev *(restricted)*<br>• Report of the 3rd meeting of the CJ-OR (24-26 March 2026)<br>CJ-OR(2026)02<br>• Case Law of the European Court of Human Rights on the rights of donor-conceived persons to know their origins<br>CJ-OR(2025)03 rev<br>• Overview of European and international standards concerning the rights of donor-conceived persons to know their origins<br>CJ-OR(2025)05 |
| **5** | **Update on key developments and other events by members and observers** | • Recommendation CM/Rec(2026)10 on establishing harmonised measures for the protection of third-party gamete donors by the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe on 17 June 2026<br>• ESHRE's position paper on international limits on the number of offspring per gamete donor (English only) |
| **6** | **Any other business** | |
| **7** | **Date and place of next meetings** | |
| **8** | **Adoption of the meeting report** | Working document<br>• Draft meeting report<br>CJ-OR(2026)05 prov |

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

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| Date | Timetable CET | Agenda items |
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| **27/10/2026** | 9:00 – 17:00 | 1-3, 5, 4 |
| **28/10/2026** | 9:00 – 17:00 | 4 (continued) |
| **29/10/2026** | 9:00 – 17:00 | 4 (continued), 6 - 8 |

**BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

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| Terms of Reference of CJ-OR | Terms of Reference of Committee of Experts on access to origins for 2025-2027 |
| CJ-OR(2025)INF01 rev | Composition of the CJ-OR |
| CM/AS(2019)Rec2156-final | Reply of the Committee of Ministers to the Parliamentary Assembly on Recommendation 2156 (2019) on Anonymous donation of sperm and oocytes: balancing the rights of parents, donors and children (adopted on 9 October 2019) |
| Recommendation 2156 (2019) | Recommendation 2156 (2019) of the Parliamentary Assembly on Anonymous donation of sperm and oocytes: balancing the rights of parents, donors and children |
| Doc. 14835 | 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 |
| Terms of Reference of CDCJ | Terms of reference of CDCJ for 2024-2027 (revised version) |

**REFERENCE DOCUMENTS**

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| Resolution CM/Res(2021)3-consolidated | Resolution CM/Res(2021)3 on intergovernmental committees and subordinate bodies, their terms of reference and working methods *(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 12 May 2021 at the 1404th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies and amended by Resolution CM/Res(2025)2 on 3 July 2025 at the 1533rd meeting of the Ministers' Deputies)* |