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To the members of the Committee on Migration, International Protection and Economic Co-operation

Revised synopsis

of the meeting held in Paris on 13 May 2026

The Committee on Migration, International Protection and Economic Co-operation, meeting in Paris on 13 May 2026, from 09:30 to 12:45 and from 15:00 to 17:30, with Ms Sandra Zampa (Italy, SOC), chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:

- **Access of migrants and refugees to healthcare** (*rapporteur: Ms Pelin Yılık, Türkiye, NR*): considered and approved a draft report and adopted a draft resolution with a view to presentation of the report to the Assembly during the third part-session;
- **Safe and legal migration pathways: enhancing and implementing good practices** (*rapporteur: Mr Marco Scurria, Italy, ECPA*): held an exchange of views with the participation of:
 - Ms Nathalie Springuel, Senior Resettlement and Complementary Pathways Officer, UNHCR Representation for EU Affairs, Brussels,
 - Ms Giulia Gori, Complementary Pathways Programme, Federation of Protestant Churches in Italy (FCEI), Mediterranean Hope, Italy, and
 - Mr Guilhem Mante, Delegate, “Accueil de l’Etranger”, France;
- **Presentation of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) by Ms Carol Guthrie, Head of Strategic Communications and Outreach, OECD**: heard the presentation and held an exchange of views;
- **Work programme:**
 - appointed, by acclamation, Ms Sandra Zampa (Italy, SOC) rapporteur for report “Council of Europe action to protect the human rights of migrants, asylum-seekers and refugees” (*subject to a decision by the Bureau and the Standing Committee to seize the committee for report*), subject to the completion of the obligation to update her declaration of interests to include the rapporteur role, within the relevant deadline;
 - decided to propose to the Bureau that a current affairs debate be held during the third part-session of the Assembly, on the follow-up to the Chişinău Declaration on migration;
 - appointed, by acclamation, Ms Larysa Bilozir (Ukraine, ALDE) rapporteur for opinion “Digital transformation: the role of the OECD in evaluating the impact of artificial intelligence (AI) on the future of work”, subject to the completion of the obligation to update her declaration of interests to include the rapporteur role, within the relevant deadline;
 - in this capacity, appointed Ms Larysa Bilozir (Ukraine, ALDE) to participate in the first meeting of the OECD Parliamentary Group on Artificial Intelligence (AI), which will take place in Paris on 11-12 June 2026;
 - called for candidates for rapporteurs for the following reports:

- “Remittances by migrant workers and diasporas and their benefits for countries of origin and host countries”: took note of the interest of Lord Leslie Griffiths (United Kingdom, SOC);
- “Unaccompanied foreign minors in the context of migration: the need for common standards in full respect of children’s rights”: took note of the interest of Ms Sena Nur Çelik Kanat (Türkiye, NR);
- “The activities of the Council of Europe Development Bank (CEB)”: took note of the interest of Ms Mariia Mezentseva-Fedorenko (Ukraine, EPP/CD);
- heard a report back by Ms Larysa Bilozir (Ukraine, ALDE), chairperson of the Sub-Committee on Migrant Smuggling and Trafficking in Human Beings, on her participation (online) in the first meeting of the Committee of Experts on combatting the smuggling of migrants (PC-TM), held in Strasbourg, on 28-29 April 2026;
- heard a presentation by Ms Nerea Ahedo (Spain, ALDE) of a draft motion for a resolution “Securing refugee and migrant women’s economic future in Europe - from fair work to funded entrepreneurship” and postponed its consideration for tabling on behalf of the committee until the third part-session;
- **Facilitating economic recovery and resilience of Ukraine: from voluntary returns to enhanced co-operation and investment** (*rapporteur: Mr Denis Begic, Sweden, SOC*): held an exchange of views with the participation of Mr William Tompson, Head of the Eurasia Division, Global Relations and Co-operation Directorate, OECD;
- **Restricting citizenship rules: social cohesion and human rights at stake** (*rapporteur: Mr Fabian Molina, Switzerland, SOC*): considered an outline report;
- **General Rapporteur on European migration and asylum policies**: heard a statement by Lord Michael German (United Kingdom, ALDE), General Rapporteur;
- **Reply by the Committee of Ministers**: postponed to its next meeting the consideration of the reply by the Committee of Ministers to Assembly Recommendation 2300 (2025) “Artificial intelligence and migration”;
- **Composition of the sub-committees**: approved the following modification:
Sub-Committee on Migrant Smuggling and Trafficking in Human Beings
Mr Murat Cahid Cingi (Türkiye, NR) to become a full member.
- **Gender equality in the functioning of the Assembly 2025**: was informed about the memorandum on Gender equality in the functioning of the Assembly, which has been published as an addendum to the Progress Report of the Bureau of the Assembly;
- **Work programme**:
 - called for candidates and nominated Ms Sena Nur Çelik Kanat (Türkiye, NR) committee representative to the *ad hoc* committee of the Bureau of the Assembly to participate in the 9th World Congress Against the Death Penalty (Paris, 30 June - 2 July 2026) (*participation at no cost to the Assembly*), for appointment by the Bureau of the Assembly;
- **Next meetings**: took note of its future meetings as follows:
 - Strasbourg, 22-26 June 2026 (during the 3rd part-session of the Assembly)
 - Paris, 11 September 2026 (office of the Council of Europe)
 - Strasbourg, 28 September - 2 October 2026 (during the 4th part-session of the Assembly)
 - Place and time to be confirmed, November 2026, OR Paris, 1 December 2026 (office of the Council of Europe), to be confirmed.

And took note of the upcoming invitation of the delegation of Türkiye to hold a committee meeting in Türkiye, in November 2026.

The Sub-Committee on International Protection, Integration and Support to Vulnerable Persons, meeting in Paris on 13 May 2026, from 14:15 to 15:00, with Ms Nađa Laković (Montenegro, EPP/CD), chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:

- **Exchange of views on the Council of Europe’s [Thematic paper](#) “Ensuring a human rights-compliant end to refugeehood through integration, naturalisation or voluntary repatriation”**: held an exchange of views with the participation of Ms Catherine Briddick, Andrew W. Mellon Associate Professor of International Human Rights and Refugee Law at the Refugee Studies Centre, University of Oxford;

- **Next meeting:** left it to the chairperson to convene the next meeting.

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