Democracy, Social Cohesion and Global Challenges Committee
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Draft Agenda
Wednesday, April 10, 2019
9:30 – 12:30
Agora, Room G03

1. **Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**

2. **Adoption of the synopsis of the meeting of 26 June 2018 [CONF/DEM(2018)SYN1]**

3. **The impact of information technology (IT) on national and European elections**

    3.1 The benefits of IT for democracy: How social media can engage citizens in the democratic process? How can citizens mobilize against nationalism and populism for the European elections? Which are the advantages on using social media? Which are the challenges? - **François Friederich**, *Head of Electoral Assistance Division, Council of Europe*

    3.2 The risks of IT for democracy: Does Artificial Intelligence threaten democracy in Europe? – **Sebastian Fanti,** *Lawyer, Data Protection Expert, Switzerland*

4. **Electronic Democracy (E-Democracy and E-Governance)**

    4.1 How to organize a good e-democracy - Peter Andre, *Chair of the CDDG, Reporting from the WG e-Democracy of the CDDG*

    4.2 How to make e-governance inclusive? - Gerhard Ermischer, *Chair of the WG Participation in Democratic Decision Making*

    4.3 Youth participation: How can young people be encouraged to participate? How can e-governance and e-voting help to increase young people's interest in participation and voting? - **Rares Augustin Craiut,** *Secretary General of European Confederation of Youth Clubs (ECYC)*

Discussion

5. **22nd Council of Europe meeting of the workshops for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention, Seville, 14-15 March 2019 - Maguelonne Dejeant-Pons,** *Executive Secretary of the European Landscape Convention*

6. **Working Groups updates:**
*   **Anne Marie Chavanon, Patrice Collignon, Edith Wenger -** *Chairs of the WG Social and Territorial Cohesion*
*   **Bettina Hahne,** *Chair of the WG Gender perspective in Political and Democratic Process*
*   **Gerhard Ermischer,** *Chair of the WG Participation in Democratic Decision Making*
*   **Luminita Petrescu,** *Chair of the WG Preventing Corruption by Engaging Civil Society*

7. **Miscellaneous**

8. **Next meeting**