

## Human Rights Committee CONF/HR(2019)OJ2

**Draft agenda**  
**Monday 28 October 2019**  
**14.30- 18.00**  
**Room G03, Agora**

1. **Opening of the meeting by the Chair, *Simon Matthijssen***
  2. **Agenda for adoption**
  3. **Recent developments in the field of Human Rights**
    - 3.1 HR and climate change in relation to the upcoming High-Level Conference under Georgian presidency February 2020: what message do the INGOs to be delivered on this conference? –*Iva Obretenova (Biodiversity Division of the Council of Europe, Secretary to the Bern Convention)*  
*Questions and Answers*
    - 3.2 Recent developments after the Turkish military offensive into North-East Syria – *Fayik Yagizay, representative of the Peoples' Democratic Party for the European Institutions in Strasbourg*  
*Questions and Answers*
  - 4 **Round table on the theme "hate speech on the internet and migrants", presentation *Iamvi Totsi, Vice-Chair of the Committee***
    - 4.1 *Didier Leschi*, Director of the French Office of Immigration and Integration;
    - 4.2 *Nawel Rafik*, Vice-President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities;
    - 4.3 *Laetitia Avia*, French MP, author of a draft law to fight against hate speech on the internet  
*Questions and Answers*
- Break: 15 minutes
- 5 **Video connection - *Gulnara Akhundova, in charge of the working group Freedom of Expression***
    - 5.1 Progress report and future activities of the working group Freedom of expression
    - 5.2 Outcomes of the side event "Female and outspoken: The twofold burden facing women human rights defenders and journalists" held on 1 October during the Parliamentary Assembly
    - 5.3 Upcoming Forum talk in the World Forum for Democracy
  - 6 **Progress report and future activities of the working group Poverty - *Miguel Cabral, Vice-Chair of the Committee***
  - 7 **Progress report and future activities of the Think Tank Monitoring - *Simon Matthijssen***

**8 Activities of the Chair and Vice-Chairs since the April session - Miguel Cabral**

**9 Short introduction about what we want to have on our agenda at the next April session and how this discussion should be organised**

9.1 Item on the Think Tank Monitoring by *Videre est Credere (London, UK) (1 hour)* Already decided (and invited)

9.2 *Further suggestions (open for discussion)*

9.2.1 Developments with Mediterranean migrants / asylum seekers

9.2.2 Developments in the field of criminalization of INGOs and / Human Rights Defenders?

9.2.3 Human Rights and climate change (focus on poor and dependent groups?)

9.2.4 Developments in Belarus, and or other contested area's as a result of geopolitical maneuvers

**10 Closing with conclusions by the Chair**

Please Note that the agenda points 3 (2 recent developments), 4 (hate speech), and 9 (ideas for next April session) can only achieve their full potential, if the audience actively participates. We have decided that those INGOs who indicate in advance by email (**simon.matthijssen@ingocoe.org**) that they have questions or contributions to a specific topic, are given priority when allocating the - otherwise limited - speaking time.