



**AS/Jur (2024) OJ 03 Rev** 12 April 2024 ajoj03 2024 Rev

# **Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights**

# **Draft Agenda**

## for the meetings to be held in Strasbourg (Palais de l'Europe) on:

- Monday 15 April 2024 at 2 3.15pm (Room 8)
- Tuesday 16 April 2024 at 8.30 11.30am (Room 8)
- Wednesday 17 April 2024 at 10.30am 11.55am (Room 10)1 2
- Thursday 18 April 2024 at 8.30 9.45am (Room 8)

This draft agenda, addressed to full members of the Committee and their alternates, is the convocation to the meeting

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## Monday 15 April 2024 from 2 - 3.15pm (Room 8)

## 1. Agenda

[AS/Jur (2024) OJ 03 Rev]

Adoption of the agenda

#### 2. Minutes

[AS/Jur (2024) PV 02]

Approval of the minutes of the meeting held in Paris on 4 March 2024

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  The Sub-Committee on the implementation of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights will meet on Wednesday 17 April 2024 from 11.55am - 12.15pm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Sub-Committee on Human Rights will meet on Wednesday 17 April 2024 from 12.15 -12.30pm to consider CPT lists.

3. Possible debate under urgent procedure on "Alexei Navalny's death and the need to counter Vladimir Putin's totalitarian regime and its war on democracy"

(t.b.c pending decision of the Assembly)

Rapporteur: Mr Emanuelis Zingeris (Lithuania, EPP/CD)

[AS/Jur (2024) 11]

Statement of no conflict of interest by the Rapporteur

Consideration of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution

4. Application by Kosovo<sup>3</sup> for membership of the Council of Europe

Rapporteur for opinion: Ms Azadeh Rojhan, Sweden, SOC

Rapporteur for the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy: Ms Dora Bakoyannis, Greece,

EPP/CD) [Doc. 15958 AS/Jur (2024) 13]

Approval of the Committee's opinion

## Tuesday 16 April 2024 from 8.30-11.30 am (Room 8)

5. Possible debate under urgent procedure on "The arbitrary detention of Vladimir Kara-Murza and the systematic persecution of anti-war protesters in the Russian Federation and Belarus"

(t.b.c pending decision of the Assembly)
Rapporteur: Ms Thórhildur Sunna Ævarsdóttir (Iceland, SOC)
[AS/Jur (2024) 10]

Consideration of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution

Intervention by Ms Evgenia Kara-Murza, wife of the Russian opposition activist and Advocacy Coordinator at the Free Russia Foundation"

6. Possible debate under urgent procedure on the Draft Framework Convention on Artificial Intelligence, Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law

(t.b.c pending decision of the Assembly)

Rapporteur: Ms Thórhildur Sunna Ævarsdóttir (Iceland, SOC)

[Draft Framework Convention on artificial intelligence, human rights, democracy and the rule of

law AS/Jur/Inf (2024) 09

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Consideration and adoption of a draft opinion

7. Private military companies, mercenaries, foreign fighters and their impact on human rights Rapporteur: Mr Andrea Orlando (Italy, SOC)

[AS/Jur (2024) 05]

Consideration of an introductory memorandum

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> All reference to Kosovo, whether to the territory, institutions or population shall be understood in full compliance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo.

#### 8. References transmitted to the committee (to be confirmed)

[AS/Jur/Inf (2023) 08 - Appointment procedure document AS/Jur/Inf (2024) 08 - Rapporteur table]

The following to be confirmed by the Bureau during the part-session:

#### - For report:

Ensuring better protection of whistle-blowers in Europe Doc. 15919

Call for candidates

#### - To be taken into account in other reports:

Establishing a Register of companies that assist Russian entities in evading sanctions and combating circumvention of restrictive measures against Russian entities Doc. 15923

to be taken into account in the preparation of the report on "Legal and human rights aspects of the Russian Federation's aggression against Ukraine"

## - For opinion:

Media concentration and threats to media pluralism and independence <u>Doc. 15916</u> Reporting Committee: Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media

Call for candidates to be made following the appointment of the Reporting Committee's Rapporteur

#### - For information:

Ensuring full independence and respect for the separation of powers by Constitutional courts Doc. 15918

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## Wednesday 17 April 2024 at 10.30am - 11.55am (Room 10)

9. Possible debate under urgent procedure on "Alexei Navalny's death and the need to counter Vladimir Putin's totalitarian regime and its war on democracy"

(t.b.c pending decision of the Assembly)

Rapporteur: Mr Emanuelis Zingeris (Lithuania, EPP/CD)

[Doc... + amendments]

Consideration of amendments to the draft resolution

10. Possible debate under urgent procedure on "The arbitrary detention of Vladimir Kara-Murza and the systematic persecution of anti-war protesters in the Russian Federation and Belarus"

(t.b.c pending decision of the Assembly)

Rapporteur: Ms Thórhildur Sunna Ævarsdóttir (Iceland, SOC)

[Doc... + amendments]

Consideration of amendments to the draft resolution

## 11. Sanctions of persons on the "Kara-Murza list"

Rapporteur: Mr Eerik-Niiles Kross (Estonia, ALDE)
[Doc. 15939 + amendments]

Consideration of amendments to the draft resolution

12. Reply to Recommendation 2261 on "Call for the immediate release of Osman Kavala" [AS/Jur (2024) 04, Doc.15817]

Further consideration of the reply as follow-up to the discussion at the meeting on 4 March 2024 in Paris

13. Ad hoc committee of the Bureau to visit the ICRC headquarters in Geneva in the framework of the follow-up to Resolution 2529 (2024) on "The situation of the children of Ukraine"

Appointment of two titulars and one alternate to attend the meeting in Geneva. Date to be confirmed

14. Participation of members in conferences, meetings, seminars etc

Reports by the following representatives:

Committee of Experts on the Protection of the Environment through Criminal Law (PC-ENV), Strasbourg, 27-29 February 2024: Mr Constantinos Efstathiou (Cyprus, SOC)

Committee on Artificial Intelligence (CAI), Strasbourg, 13-14 March 2024: Ms Thórhildur Sunna Ævarsdóttir (Iceland, SOC)

138th Plenary Session of the Venice Commission of the Council of Europe, Venice (Italy) 15-16 March 2024: Mr Antonio Gutiérrez Limones (Spain, SOC)

Committee of Legal Advisers on Public International Law (CAHDI) Seminar on the Special Tribunal, Strasbourg, 10 April 2024: Lord Richard Keen (United Kingdom, EC/DA)

15. Václav Havel Human Rights Prize 2024: call for nominations

[Václav Havel Human Rights Prize website [AS/Jur/Inf (2024) 03, Press release 2024]

## 16. Other business

- Sub-Committees

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<u>Wednesday 17 April 2024 at 11.55am -12.15pm (Room 10)</u> – for information: Sub-Committee on the implementation of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights

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<u>Wednesday 17 April 2024 at 12.15 - 12.30pm (Room 10)</u> – for information: Sub-Committee on Human Rights

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## Thursday 18 April 2024 from 8.30-9.45am (Room 8)

### 17. Sub-Committee on Human Rights

[AS/Jur/DH (2024) OJ 02 Rev]

Report by the Chairperson of the Sub-Committee on the meeting held on Wednesday 17 April 2024 at 12.15pm

# 18. Possible debate under urgent procedure on the Draft Framework Convention on Artificial Intelligence, Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law

(t.b.c pending decision of the Assembly)

Rapporteur: Ms Thórhildur Sunna Ævarsdóttir (Iceland, SOC)

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Consideration of amendments to the draft opinion

#### 19. Hearings during the next meeting

#### 20. Other business

#### Reference extensions:

- Threats to life and safety of journalists and human rights defenders in Azerbaijan (Rapporteur: Ms Hannah Bardell, UK, NR)
- Legal aspects of the accession of the European Union to the European Convention on Human Rights (Rapporteur: Mr Titus Corlățean, Romania, SOC)

Proposal to request reference extensions

## Authorisation of participation of members at forthcoming events:

Committee of Experts on the Protection of Lawyers (to be held on 13-15 May, in Strasburg)

#### 21. Next meetings

Plenary Committee:

- 21 May 2024, Paris Office
- during the Assembly's 3<sup>rd</sup> part-session of 2024 (24-28 June 2024)
- 11 September 2023, Paris Office (t.b.c.)
- during the Assembly's 4th part-session of 2024 (30th September 4 October 2024)
- 10 December 2024, Paris Office (t.b.c.)

Sub-Committee on the implementation of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights:

- 4-5 July 2024, Tirana - Sub-Committee on the implementation of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights (subject to authorisation by the Bureau and the availability of funds).