

Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

AS/Ega (2023) OJ 02 rev2

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Draft agenda (revised 2)

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Date: Friday, 24 March 2022

from 9.30am to 12.30pm and from 2pm to 5.30pm

Venue: Office of the Council of Europe, 55, avenue Kléber, Paris 16th (Metro: Boissière) Tel.: + 33 1 44 05 33 60

- 1. Agenda**
[AS/Ega (2022) OJ 02 rev2]
Adoption of the draft agenda.
- 2. Minutes**
[AS/Ega (2023) PV 01]
Approval of the draft minutes of the meeting of the committee held from 23 to 26 January 2023 in Strasbourg.
- 3. Statement by the Chairperson of the Committee**
- 4. Closing the digital divide: promoting equal access to digital technologies**
Rapporteur: Ms Edite Estrela (Portugal, SOC)
[AS/Ega (2023) 06]
Consideration of a preliminary draft report.
- 5. Freedom of expression and assembly of LGBTI people in Europe**
Rapporteur: Mr Christophe Lacroix (Belgium, SOC)
[AS/Ega (2023) 08]
Consideration of an information memorandum.
- 6. The situation of national minorities in Ukraine**
Rapporteur: Ms Elvira Kovács (Serbia, EPP/CD)
Statement by the Rapporteur.
- 7. Protecting women human rights defenders and people who defend women's rights in Europe**
Rapporteur: Ms Petra Bayr (Austria, SOC)
[AS/Ega (2023) 09]
Consideration of an introductory memorandum.

8. **Activities of the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence, the No Hate Parliamentary Alliance and the Parliamentary Platform for the rights of LGBTI people in Europe**
 - 8.1. **Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence**
Seminar on the Istanbul Convention, London, 13 March 2023
[AS/Ega/Network (2023) 02]
Communication by the Chairperson of the Committee.
 - 8.2. **No Hate Parliamentary Alliance**
Parliamentary seminar on countering hate speech and hate crime: intersectional approach – data collection – victims’ protection, Vienna, 8 May 2023
[AS/Ega/Alliance (2023) 01]
Communication by the General Rapporteur on combating racism and intolerance.
 - 8.3. **Parliamentary Platform for the rights of LGBTI people in Europe**
Conference: “Finding safety: Guaranteeing the rights of LGBTI refugees and asylum-seekers in Europe”, Brussels, 22 May 2023
[AS/Ega/Platform (2022) 01]
Communication by the General Rapporteur on the rights of LGBTI people.
9. **Commission on the Status of Women (CSW 67)** (New York, United States, 6 - 17 March 2023)
[[Website CSW](#), AS/Ega/CSW (2023) OJ 01 rev; AS/Ega/Inf (2023) 11]
Communication by the Chairperson of the *ad hoc* Sub-Committee on the participation in the event *Towards a Green and Digital Future: Challenges and Opportunities for Women and Girls* on 6 March 2023 and other events.
10. **Work programme**
[AS/Ega/Inf (2023) 01 rev; AS/Ega/Inf (2023) 10]
 - 10.1. **Consideration of the work programme.**
 - 10.2. **Consideration of a draft motion for resolution with a view to its adoption by the Committee and for tabling on its behalf:**
 - 10.2.1. *Overcoming age-based discrimination against older persons* [AS/Ega (2023) 12].
11. **Sub-Committees**
[Lists]
Approval of possible modifications in the composition of the Sub-Committees.
12. **Appointment of representatives** (*subject to the availability of funds*)
[Convocation PC/ADI-CH; PC/ADI-CH(2023)1; PC/ADI-CH(2022)10 ; [OECD programme](#)]
 - Invitation to participate in the 3rd meeting of the Committee of experts on Hate Crime (PC/ADI-CH) on 30-31 March 2023 in Strasbourg;
 - Invitation to participate in the Gender Equality Commission (GEC) Annual Conference on *Gender Equality: Engaging Men and Boys*, 28 April 2023 in Strasbourg.
 - Invitation to participate in the meeting of the OECD Global Parliamentary Network, held jointly with the NATO Parliamentary Assembly and in partnership with Women Political Leaders, on 4-5 April 2023 in Paris (*subject to the decision by the Bureau of the Assembly to nominate an ad hoc sub-committee*).
13. **Reporting back**
 - Mr Christophe Lacroix (Belgium, SOC) for his participation in the conference on *Advancing the human rights of intersex people* hosted in the framework of Iceland’s Presidency of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe and organised by the SOGI Unit in co-operation with the Permanent Representation of Iceland, on 26 January 2023, in Strasbourg (France);
 - Ms Petra Stienen (Netherlands, ALDE) for her participation in the EIGE workshop on the *Role of Men, Boys and Masculinities in Gender Equality research and policies* on 10 February 2023 in Vilnius, Lithuania;

- Ms Elvira Kovács (Serbia, EPP/CD) and Mr Jean-Pierre Grin (Switzerland, ALDE) for their participation in the parliamentary seminar *Women's economic empowerment*, on 22 February 2023, in Rabat, Morocco.

[at 2pm]

14. The reintegration of persons trapped in prostitution and human trafficking survivors

Rapporteur: Ms Margreet De Boer (Netherlands, SOC)

[AS/Ega (2023) 10]

Consideration of an introductory memorandum.

Hearing with the participation of:

- Ms Sabrina Sanchez, General Director, European Sex Workers Alliance (ESWA);
- Ms Irena Ferčíková Konečná, Policy officer, European Sex Workers Alliance (ESWA) (*online*);
- Ms Monica Costa Riba, Senior Campaigner - Gender in Europe, Amnesty International;
- Ms Sarah-Marie Maffesoli, Sex Work Advisor, Doctors of the World, France.

[at 3pm]

15. Institutional racism of law enforcement authorities against Roma and Travellers

Rapporteur: Mr Jean-Pierre Grin (Switzerland, ALDE)

[AS/Ega (2023) 11]

Consideration of an introductory memorandum.

Hearing with the participation of:

- Mr Bernard Rorke, Advocacy & Policy Manager, European Roma Rights Center, Brussels;
- Mr Nara Ritz, Initiator and Coordinator, Observatory for the Rights of Itinerant Citizens, France.

16. Other business

17. Next meetings

Committee

- Strasbourg, during the second part-session 2023 of the Assembly (24-28 April);
- Marrakech, Morocco, 8-9 June 2023;
- Strasbourg, during the third part-session 2023 of the Assembly (19-23 June);
- Paris, 15 September 2023 (Council of Europe Office);
- Strasbourg, during the fourth part-session 2023 of the Assembly (9-13 October);
- Paris, 7 December 2023 (Council of Europe Office).

Sub-Committee on the Rights of Minorities

- Strasbourg, during the second part-session 2023 of the Assembly (24-28 April)

No Hate Parliamentary Alliance

- Vienna, 8 May 2023

Parliamentary Platform for the rights of LGBTI people in Europe

- Brussels, 22 May 2023