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PC-CP (2017) ANNOTATED AGENDA

**Council for Penological Co-operation**  
**Conseil de Coopération Pénologique**  
**(PC-CP)**

**DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA**

**7th Plenary meeting / 7<sup>e</sup> réunion plénière**  
**6-8 November 2017 (9.30 am) / 6-8 novembre 2017 (9h30)**  
**Strasbourg**

**Agora Building, Room G01 / Bâtiment Agora, Salle G01**

**1. Opening of the meeting**

The meeting will start on 6 November at 9.30, Agora Building, Room G01, Strasbourg. It will be opened by Mr Jan Kleijssen, Director, Information Society and Action against Crime Directorate, DG I, Council of Europe.

**2. Adoption of the draft agenda and the draft order of business**

The delegates are requested to consider and adopt the draft agenda and the draft order of business.

**3. Report of the PC-CP Chair**

The participants are requested to take note of the PC-CP Working Group meeting reports as well as of the report presented by Mr Vivian Geiran, PC-CP Chair regarding the work carried out by the PC-CP Working Group after the last PC-CP plenary meeting in November 2016.

**4. Information provided by the Secretariat**

The PC-CP plenary is invited to take note of the information provided by the Secretariat.

**5. Draft CM Recommendation concerning restorative justice in criminal matters**

The PC-CP plenary is invited to note that the draft recommendation is a revision and updating of Committee of Ministers Recommendation (99)19 on mediation in penal matters. Once adopted by the Committee of Ministers, it will replace the latter. After being finalised at the current meeting, it will be further considered and approved at the CDPC Plenary meeting (on 29 November 2017) and will then be forwarded for adoption by the Committee of Ministers. The PC-CP Working Group started the drafting process in January 2017 with the help of an external consultant, Mr Ian Marder (University of Leeds, United Kingdom). Three meetings of the PC-CP Working Group were dedicated to this text (in January, April and September 2017).

The CDPC Bureau examined the draft texts at its meeting on 2-3 October 2017. As a result some further amendments were introduced to the drafts which are incorporated in the current texts.

The PC-CP plenary is invited to consider and approve the draft recommendation and its draft explanatory report which, in order to facilitate their reading (and following a proposal from the scientific expert Ian Marder), appear as separate texts and also combined in one document: PC-CP (2017) Misc.

#### **6. Draft CM Recommendation concerning children of imprisoned parents**

The PC-CP plenary is invited to note that the PC-CP Working Group started the drafting process in January 2017 with the help of two external consultants, Ms Kate Philbrick (barrister and board member of "Children of Prisoners Europe", United Kingdom) and Ms Maria Wolleswinkel (National Director and Chairperson, Maastricht University, the Netherlands) later joined by Ms Aisling Parkes (School of Law, University College Cork, Ireland). Three meetings of the PC-CP Working Group were dedicated to this text as well (in January, April and September 2017). After being finalised at the current meeting, it will also be further considered and approved at the CDPC plenary meeting (on 29 November 2017) and will then be forwarded for adoption by the Committee of Ministers.

The CDPC Bureau examined the draft texts at its meeting on 2-3 October 2017. As a result some further amendments were introduced to the drafts which are incorporated in the current texts.

The PC-CP plenary is invited to consider and approve the draft recommendation and its draft explanatory report.

#### **7. Update on the work on the draft revised commentary to the European Prison Rules**

The PC-CP plenary is invited to take note that the revision of the commentary to the European Prison Rules started at the last PC-CP Working Group meeting in September 2017. In preparation for this revision, carried out with the help of an external consultant, Dirk van Zyl Smit (Professor of Comparative and International Penal Law, University of Nottingham, United Kingdom), one of the PC-CP Working Group members, Mr Nikolaos Koulouris (Greece) and Mr Kresimir Kamber from the Registry of the European Court of Human Rights produced a report reflecting the developments in the field since 2006 when the European Prison Rules were adopted. The work will continue in 2018 with a view to producing a revised and updated commentary for adoption by the CDPC plenary at its next meeting in June 2018.

The PC-CP plenary is invited to make any comments and proposals regarding the draft text, which will be recorded by the Secretariat and will be considered at the next PC-CP Working Group meeting in January 2018.

#### **8. Follow-up to the 22nd Council of Europe Conference of Directors of Prison and Probation Services (2017, Norway)**

The delegates are invited to consider the conclusions of the 22nd CDPPS and to inform the PC-CP plenary what measures can be taken at their national level in order to promote the proposals contained in these conclusions with a view to improving the quality of selection, training and development of staff, in particular of front line staff.

The delegates are further invited to voice their opinion regarding the proposal to adopt at the Council of Europe level of guidance/standards for selection and training of staff, including training curricula.

#### **9. 23rd Council of Europe Conference of Directors of Prison and Probation Services (June 2018, Estonia)**

The delegates are invited to take note of the information provided by the Estonian delegation and to consider and approve the topic of the 23rd CDPPS, namely "Working together effectively: Management

and co-operation models between prison and probation services". The delegates are further invited to make suggestions regarding possible sub-topics, contents and speakers.

**10. SPACE statistics and the work with the national correspondents**

The delegates are invited to take note of the executive summaries of the two SPACE national correspondents meetings which took place in 2017 as well as of the presentation made by Mr Marcelo Aebi (Deputy Director, School of criminal sciences, University of Lausanne, Switzerland).

**11. Co-operation activities in the prison and probation field**

The delegates are invited to take note of the presentation made by Ms Tanja Rakusic-Hadzic, Head of the Criminal Law Co-operation Unit.

**12. Prison overcrowding**

The delegates are invited to take note of the executive summaries of the meetings of the CDPC sub-group on prison overcrowding and of the information provided by the PC-CP Chair regarding the suggested follow-up to be given to the White Paper on prison overcrowding.

**13. Elections**

The delegates are invited to note that two vacancies at the PC-CP Working Group need to be filled in by electing two new members at the next CDPC plenary meeting (28 November - 1 December 2017). They are invited to note in this respect that the nominations by the CDPC national delegations of possible candidates should reach the Secretariat not later than 20 November 2017.

**14. Any other business**

**15. Dates of the next plenary meeting**

The delegates are invited to take note that the dates of the next PC-CP plenary meeting will be 5-7 November 2018.