GENDER EQUALITY COMMISSION (GEC)

14th meeting

5-6 December 2018, 9:30 am – 5:30 pm
7 December 2018, 9:30 am – 1:00 pm

Agora meeting room G01
Council of Europe
Strasbourg

AGENDA

I. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda
   Draft Agenda
   GEC(2018)OJ2 Revised

II. Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson (January to December 2019)

III. Exchange with Ambassador Keith McBean, Permanent Representative of Ireland to the Council of Europe, Chair of the Rapporteur Group on Human Rights

IV. Council of Europe Transversal Programme on Gender Equality

1. Gender Equality Strategy 2018-2023
   a. Draft report of the conference “Gender Equality: Paving the Way” to launch the Gender Equality Strategy 2018-2023 (Copenhagen, 3-4 May 2018)
      GEC(2018)4
b. **Draft 2018 annual report on the implementation of the Gender Equality Strategy**

*Activities and measures in member states towards the achievement of the objectives of the Gender Equality Strategy*

GEC(2018)5

GEC(2018)6

c. **Conference “Tackling Gender Stereotypes and Sexism”** *(provisional title)*

(Helsinki, 28-29 March 2019)

*Draft Programme*  
*Draft Concept Paper*

GEC(2018)7  
GEC(2018)8

d. **Objective 1 – Prevent and combat gender stereotypes and sexism**

- Preparation of a draft Committee of Ministers recommendation to prevent and combat sexism

*Report of the 4th meeting of the Drafting Committee preparing a draft Committee of Ministers recommendation to prevent and combat sexism (Strasbourg, 20-21 September 2018)*

*Draft Committee of Ministers recommendation to prevent and combat sexism*

GEC(2018)9  
GEC(2018)10

- Implementation of Recommendation (2013)1 on gender equality and media – joint follow-up by the Gender Equality Commission and the Steering Committee on Media and Information Society (CDMSI)

*Draft questionnaire*

e. **Objective 2 - Prevent and combat violence against women and domestic violence**

- Presentation by Liri Kopaçi-Di Michele, Executive Secretary of the Group of Experts on Action against Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (GREVIO) about signatures and ratifications of the Istanbul Convention and other developments/activities in the area of violence against women

*Oral presentation*

- Meeting of international and regional mechanisms to combat violence against women (Strasbourg, 23-24 May 2019)

*Draft programme and concept note*

GEC(2018)11

- Presentation of co-operation activities in the area of violence against women

*Oral presentation*
f. Objective 3 - Ensure the equal access of women to justice

- Partnership for Good Governance project: “Strengthening access to justice for women victims of violence”: Regional Conference on Women’s Access to Justice and the Istanbul Convention (Strasbourg, 18-19 October 2018)  
  *Oral Presentation*

*Factsheet on Women’s Access to Justice: A Guide for Legal Practitioners*  
*Publication*

g. Objective 4 - Achieve balanced participation of women and men in political and public decision-making

  *Oral presentation*

h. Objective 5 - Protect the rights of migrant, refugee and asylum-seeking women and girls

*Preliminary draft factsheet on the rights of migrant, refugee and asylum-seeking women and girls*  
*GEC(2018)12*

i. Objective 6 - Achieve gender mainstreaming in all policies and measures

- Gender mainstreaming in Council of Europe activities  
  *Oral presentation*

V. Thematic discussions:

i. GenMob mobile phone tool – Margarida Queirós (Portugal)
ii. Work with perpetrators of violence against women – Sopo Japaridze (Georgia) and Laurence Bouquet (Luxembourg) and Nadine Conrardy (Luxembourg Red Cross)
iii. Gender-responsive budgeting – Lilia Pascal (Republic of Moldova) and Ljiljana Loncar (Serbia)

VI. Co-operation with other Council of Europe sectors

- Exchange with Gianluca Esposito, Executive Secretary of Group of States against Corruption (GRECO)
- Exchange with Sonia Sirtori-Milner, Head of the Secretariat to the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
VII. Co-operation with international/regional organisations

- Exchange with Dalia Leinarte, Chairperson, United Nations Committee on the elimination of discrimination against women (CEDAW)

- Council of the European Union - gender equality agenda:
  - Austrian Presidency (July-December 2018)
  - Romanian Presidency (January-June 2019)

VIII. Events attended by GEC members, experts and the Secretariat

IX. Current and future activities at national level and at international level

- Council of Europe gender equality agenda:
  - Croatian Presidency (May-November 2018)
  - Finnish Presidency (November 2018-May 2019)
  - French Presidency (May-November 2019)

X. Other business

XI. Proposals for the agenda of the next meeting

XII. Dates of forthcoming meetings

- Conference Tackling Gender Stereotypes and Sexism (provisional title)
  Helsinki, 28-29 March 2019
- 15th GEC meeting, Strasbourg, 22-23-24 May 2019 (dates tbc)
- 16th GEC meeting, Strasbourg 13-14-15 November (dates tbc)

XIII. Adoption of the abridged report of the 14th GEC meeting (5-7 December 2018)

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