

Strasbourg 7 November 2019

GEC (2019) OJ2 Revised

**GENDER EQUALITY COMMISSION
(GEC)**

16th meeting

*13-14 November 2019, 9:30 am – 5:30 pm
15 November 2019, 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(2019)OJ2 Revised*

- II. Draft 2020-2021 terms of reference of the Gender Equality Commission** *Draft ToR*
 - Appointment of a Rapporteur for persons with disabilities

- III. Election of the Chair and two Vice-Chairs (January to December 2020)**

- IV. Exchange of views with Brigitte Grésy, President of the High Council of Equality, France**

- V. Council of Europe Transversal Programme on Gender Equality**
 - 1. Gender Equality Strategy 2018-2023**
 - a. Report of the conference “Tackling Gender Stereotypes and Sexism”**
(Helsinki, 28-29 March 2019) *Publication*

 - b. Draft 2019 annual report on the implementation of the Gender Equality Strategy**
GEC(2019)9

 - Activities and measures in member states towards the achievement of the objectives of the Gender Equality Strategy* *GEC(2019)8*

c. Objective 1 – Prevent and combat gender stereotypes and sexism

- Committee of Ministers Recommendation on preventing and combating sexism (CM/Rec(2019)1) – follow up
- Visibility tools about the sexism recommendation *Video and Infographic*
- Call for proposals – NGO grant to promote the fight against sexism
- Draft analytical report on the follow-up to the implementation of CM/Rec(2013)1 on gender equality and the media *GEC(2019)10*
- Presentation by Liri Kopaçi-Di Michele, Head of the Secretariat to the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination of the Parliamentary Assembly *Oral presentation*

d. Objective 2 - Prevent and combat violence against women and domestic violence

- Exchange of views with Marceline Naudi, President of the Group of Experts on Action against Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (GREVIO)
- Exchange of views with Elisabeth Walaas, President of the Committee of the Parties to the Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (Istanbul Convention)
- Sharing experiences by states parties on the implementation of the Istanbul Convention
- Exchange of views with Martin Kuijer, substitute member of the Venice Commission (the Netherlands), Rapporteurs of the opinion of the Venice Commission on the Constitutional implications of the ratification of the Istanbul Convention *Venice Commission Opinion*

e. Objective 3 - Ensure the equal access of women to justice

- Study on good practices on promoting gender sensitive approaches to access to justice
Concept note *GEC(2019)13*

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

- Experience of co-operation activities *Oral presentation*

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

- Drafting Committee on migrant women (GEC-MIG)
Draft terms of reference *Draft ToR*
- Factsheets on the rights of migrant, refugee and asylum-seeking women and girls
Complete version *Publication*
Key Recommendations *GEC(2019)12 abridged*

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

- Presentation of gender mainstreaming in Council of Europe activities
Oral Presentation
- Reflection on the role of Senior Gender Equality Adviser at the Council of Europe
Oral presentation
- Presentation by Philippe Wéry, Gender Equality Rapporteur of the Steering Committee for Human Rights (CDDH) of the CDDH Roadmap on Mainstreaming Gender and Human Rights *GEC(2019)15*

i. Committee of Ministers request for information and comments on a Recommendation by the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

- *Elements of a reply to the CM on PACE Recommendation 2157 (2019) "Towards an ambitious Council of Europe agenda for gender equality"* *GEC(2019)16*

VI. Co-operation projects/programmes

- General overview of co-operation projects undertaken by the Gender Equality Division
Oral presentation
- Partnership for Good Governance II - Women's Access to Justice project: Regional Conference on "Moving closer to full ratification and implementation of the Istanbul Convention" (7 - 8 April 2020, Tbilisi, Georgia)
Oral presentation

VII. Thematic discussion

New tendencies and counter-reactions to gender equality - Denmark

VIII. Co-operation with other Council of Europe sectors

- Appointment of Käthlin Sander (Estonia) as GEC representative on the Ad Hoc Committee on Artificial Intelligence (CAHAI)
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- Presentation by Stan Frossard, Enlarged Partial Agreement on Sport (EPAS) of the Council of Europe/European Union joint project "ALL IN: Towards gender balance in sport" on policies and programmes addressing gender inequalities in sport
Oral presentation
- Presentation by Nina Lichtner, Secretariat of the Cybercrime Convention Committee (T-CY), of the compilation of online resources on combating online violence against women and children

IX. Co-operation with international/regional organisations

- Council of Europe's contribution to the Beijing+25 review process following UNECE meeting
GEC(2019)14
- Exchange of views with Valentina Beghini, Senior Technical Officer, Gender Equality and Diversity & ILOAIDS Branch, International Labour Organization about its Convention concerning the elimination of violence and harassment in the world of work
ILO Convention
- Council of the European Union - gender equality agenda:
 - o Croatian Presidency (January-June 2020)

X. Events attended by GEC members, experts and the Secretariat *GEC(2019)7*

XI. Current and future activities at national and international level

- Council of Europe gender equality agenda:
 - o French Presidency (May-November 2019)
 - o Georgian Presidency (November 2019-May 2020)
 - o Greek Presidency (May-November 2020)

XII. Other business**XIII. Proposals for the agenda of the next meeting, including thematic discussions****XIV. Dates of forthcoming meetings**

- *17th GEC meeting, Strasbourg, 27-28-29 May 2020 (Room 7 – main building)*
- *18th GEC meeting, Strasbourg, 2-3-4 December 2020 (Room 7 – main building)*

XV. Adoption of the abridged report of the 16th GEC meeting (13-14-15 November 2019)**Calendar of forthcoming events and meetings**

- *CSW, New York – 9-20 March 2020*
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