

Strasbourg, 23 November 2021

GEC (2021) Bureau 6

GENDER EQUALITY COMMISSION 10th Bureau meeting Monday, 15 November 2021

<u>Report</u>

1. Preparation of the 20th GEC meeting (Strasbourg, 23-24-25 November 2021)

The GEC bureau reviewed the revised draft agenda and the draft order of business. A major part of the GEC meeting will be dedicated to the discussion on the draft CM Recommendation on protecting the rights of migrant, refugee and asylum-seeking women and girls. While one day of the GEC meeting has been set aside for this discussion, the Bureau agreed to review the agenda and order of business on 23 November 2021, should more time be needed for the discussions and adoption of the draft recommendation.

2. Future events

The Bureau discussed some forthcoming events which would require GEC involvement, such as - the invitation to the GEC Chair to participate and present the GEC activities in relation to protection of women rights and best experience in promoting gender equality at a plenary meeting of CEDAW in Geneva (February or June 2022);

- the Gender Equality Commission thematic conference 2022 organised in the framework of the Italian Presidency of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe (12 April 2022);

- a conference being organised by the Pompidou Group in the framework of the Italian Presidency of the Committee of Ministers about rape drugs (Spring 2022).

It was agreed to keep the Bureau aware of developments as regards these events.

3. Proposed date of next Bureau meeting

The Bureau decided to hold its next meeting in December should a follow-up of the GEC meeting be required, if not the next meeting would take place in January 2022 – the date of which would be decided with the new Bureau members.

Participants:

Bureau: Andreia Lourenço Marques (Chair), Basim Al-Alousi (Vice-Chair), Kateryna Levchenko (Vice-Chair)

Secretariat: Caterina Bolognese, Cécile Gréboval, Adrienne Looby, Laurène Thil, Evrydiki Tseliou, Coralie Charlet