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Strasbourg, 8 November 2022

GEC (2022) OJ2 Revised

**GENDER EQUALITY COMMISSION  
(GEC)**

*22nd meeting  
16-18 November 2022*

*Wednesday, 16 November 2022, 9:30 am-1:00 pm/2:30-5:30 pm*

*Thursday, 17 November 2022, 10:00 am-1:00 pm/2:30-5:00 pm*

*Friday, 18 November 2022, 10:00 am-1:00 pm/2:30-5:00 pm*

*Room G03  
AGORA Building  
Council of Europe  
Strasbourg*

**DRAFT AGENDA**

**I. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**

- *Draft Agenda*

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**II. Gender Equality Commission**

- Election of GEC Bureau

**III. Exchange of views with Dunja Mijatović, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights**

#### IV. Council of Europe Transversal Programme on Gender Equality

##### 1. Gender Equality Strategy 2018-2023

###### a. Draft 2022 annual report on the implementation of the Gender Equality Strategy (2018-2023)

GEC(2022)12

*Activities and measures in member states towards the achievement of the objectives of the Gender Equality Strategy* GEC(2022)06 Revised

###### b. Preparation of the draft Gender Equality Strategy 2024-2029

GEC(2022)11

*Report of the High-Level Reflection Group of the Council of Europe*

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

- Draft Guidelines on the place of men and boys in gender equality policies and in policies to combat violence against women

*Oral presentation*

*Reports of Working Group meetings*

*Draft Guidelines (Working Group) GEC (2022) 8*

*Draft Guidelines (consolidated version) GEC(2022)08 rev*

*Compilation of comments received on the draft Guidelines GEC(2022)10*

###### d. Objective 2 – Prevent and combat violence against women and domestic violence

- Follow-up to exchange of views between the GEC Chair and the Group of Experts on Action against Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (GREVIO) (Strasbourg, 12 October 2022)
- Exchange of views with Iris Luarasi, President of the Group of Experts on Action against Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (GREVIO)
- Sharing experiences by states parties on the implementation of the Istanbul Convention and information on further ratifications
- Update by the Secretariat of co-operation projects undertaken by the Gender Equality Division concerning violence against women and domestic violence

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

- Presentation of the study on the impact of Covid-19 on women’s access to justice during the meeting of the Network of Pilot Courts ([European Commission for the Efficiency of Justice \(CEPEJ\)](#)) – (Strasbourg, 13 October 2022) and exchange of views with the author and the GEC Chair  
*Oral presentation*
- Presentation of the study on the impact of Covid-19 on women’s access to justice  
*Programme Study*
- Follow-up to the presentation of the study on the impact of Covid-19 on women’s access to justice  
*Oral presentation*

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

- Committee of Ministers Recommendation on protecting the rights of migrant, refugee and asylum-seeking women and girls – update on translations, dissemination and promotion

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

- Gender mainstreaming in Council of Europe activities  
*Oral presentation*
- Reports from members of the GEC, experts and Secretariat who have participated in the following meetings of Council of Europe bodies:
  - [Committee of Experts on Hate Crime \(PC/ADI-CH\)](#) – preparation of a draft comprehensive Recommendation on combating hate crime  
*Oral presentation*
  - [Committee of Experts on Roma and Traveller Issues \(ADI-ROM\)](#) - preparation of a draft Recommendation on equality for Roma and Traveller women and girls  
*Oral presentation*

**h. Annual Thematic Conference (Strasbourg, 27-28 April 2023)**

## V. Co-operation with other Council of Europe sectors

- [Steering Committee on Anti-Discrimination, Diversity and Inclusion \(CDADI\)](#) and its subordinate bodies

Presentation of the work of the Task Force on the study on the impact of artificial intelligence on equality, including gender equality, and discrimination

*Draft study GEC(2022)09/CDADI(2022)21*

## VI. Co-operation with international/regional organisations

- Exchange of views with Carlien Scheele, Director of the European Institute of Gender Equality (EIGE)
- Follow-up to exchange of views between the GEC Chair and the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), Geneva, 1 July 2022 *Speaking notes*
- Council of the European Union – gender equality agenda:
  - Czech Presidency (July – December 2022)
  - Swedish Presidency (January – June 2023)
  - Spanish Presidency (July – December 2023)

## VII. Current and future activities at national and international level

- Gender equality agendas of the Council of Europe Committee of Ministers Presidencies:
  - Ireland (May - November 2022)
  - Iceland (November 2022 - May 2023)
  - Latvia (May - November 2023)

## VIII. Proposals for the agenda of the next meeting, including thematic discussions

## IX. Other business

- Presentation of the Gender Equality Division's database of Council of Europe publications on gender equality

**X. Dates of forthcoming meetings**

**XI. Adoption of the abridged report of the 22nd GEC meeting (16-18 November 2022)**

**Calendar of forthcoming events and meetings**

- GEC 2023 Annual thematic conference – Strasbourg, 27-28 April 2023
- 23rd meeting of the Gender Equality Commission – Strasbourg, 24-26 May 2023 (tbc)
- 24th meeting of the Gender Equality Commission – Strasbourg, 15-17 November 2023 (tbc)