



Strasbourg, 14 November 2024

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**GENDER EQUALITY COMMISSION
(GEC)**

26th meeting

19-21 November 2024

Tuesday, 19 November 2024, 9:30 am-12:30 pm/2:00-5:30 pm
Wednesday, 20 November 2024, 9:30 am-12:30 pm/2:30-5:30 pm
Thursday, 21 November 2024, 9:30 am-12:30 pm/2:30-4:30 pm

Room 11 – Palais de l'Europe

Council of Europe, Strasbourg

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| 1. | Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda | <i>GEC(2024)OJ2</i> |
| 2. | Report from the Chair of the GEC | |
| 3. | GEC terms of reference 2024-2027 and 2024/2025 workplan | <u>CM(2023)131-addfinal</u>
<i>GEC(2024)1rev2</i> |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Working group on reporting on the implementation of the GES 2024-2029 ▪ Working group on developing positive narratives in the context on anti-gender movements | <p><i>GEC(2024)6</i></p> <p><i>GEC(2024)7</i></p> |
| 4. | Elections and appointments | <i>GEC(2023)INF1</i> |
| 5. | Council of Europe Transversal Programme on Gender Equality | |
| | 5.1. Gender Equality Strategy 2024-2029 | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Update by the Secretariat | |
| | 5.2. Thematic work | |
| | <p>a. Preventing and combating gender stereotypes and sexism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Work of the Committee of Experts on Artificial Intelligence, Equality and Discrimination (GEC/ADI-AI) | <p><i>GEC/ADI-AI(2024)8</i></p> <p><i>GEC/ADI-AI(2024)7rev2</i></p> |
| | <p>b. Preventing and combating violence against women and girls and domestic violence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Exchange of views with Maria Andriani Kostopoulou, President of GREVIO ▪ Implementation of the Istanbul Convention ▪ Update from the Secretariat of specific cooperation activities ▪ Work of the Committee of Experts on combating technology-facilitated violence against women and girls (GEC/PC-eVIO) | <p><i>GEC/PC-eVIO(2024)04</i></p> |
| | <p>c. Ensuring equal access to justice for women and girls</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Update from the Secretariat on co-operation projects | |
| | <p>d. Ensuring women's empowerment and gender equality in relation to global and geopolitical challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Exchange of views with Yuriko Backes, Minister of Defence, Mobility and Public Works, and Gender Equality and Diversity of Luxembourg ▪ Exchange of views with Michael O'Flaherty, Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of Europe | |

- Recommendation CM/Rec(2022)17 of the Committee of Ministers to member States on protecting the rights of migrant, refugee and asylum-seeking women and girls
- *Tour de table* on existing national practices in terms of gender equality and environment, including a youth perspective
- Developing positive narratives in the context on anti-gender movements

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- e. Achieving gender mainstreaming and including an intersectional approach in all policies and measures
- Gender mainstreaming in Council of Europe activities
 - update on HELP course and activities from other sectors
 - Toolkit on Gender Mainstreaming in Council of Europe monitoring mechanisms
 - Gender equality rapporteur training session (5-6 November 2024)
 - Reports from members of the GEC, experts and Secretariat who have participated in meetings of the Council of Europe bodies:
 - 9th and 10th meeting of the Committee of Experts on Roma and Traveller Issues (ADI-ROM), 14-16 May 2024 and 29-30 October 2024
 - 52nd meeting of the Advisory Council on Youth (CCJ), 17-19 September 2024
 - 4th meeting of the Committee of experts on the prevention of violence (ENF-VAE), 24-25 September 2024
 - 2nd meeting of the Committee of Experts on Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Expression, and Sex Characteristics (ADI-SOGIESC), 29-30 October 2024

6. Co-operation with other Council of Europe sectors and international/regional organisations

- a. Other Council of Europe sectors
- b. International/ regional organisations
- Council of the European Union – gender equality agenda:
 - Belgium Presidency (January-June 2024)
 - Hungary Presidency (July – December 2024)
 - Poland Presidency (January – June 2025)

7. Current and future activities at national and international level

- Preparation of the side-event co-organised with the Permanent Mission of Luxembourg to the United Nations under the Luxembourg Presidency of the Committee of Ministers, at the 69th session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW69) (New York, 10-21 March 2025)
- Gender equality agendas of the Council of Europe Committee of Ministers Presidencies:
 - Lithuania (May - November 2024)
 - Luxembourg (November 2024 – May 2025)
 - Malta (May – November 2025)

- 8. Proposals for the agenda of the next meeting, including thematic discussions**
- 9. Other business**
- 10. Dates and place of forthcoming meetings**
 - 27th meeting: 13-15 May 2025, in Strasbourg
 - 28th meeting: 18-20 November 2025 (tbc), in Strasbourg
- 11. Adoption of the abridged report of the 26th meeting**