

Second Meeting of the Horizontal Facility II Beneficiary Steering Committee

Podgorica, 25 March 2021

Online event

Agenda

9:00 – 9:20 **Opening of the meeting and update on the implementation of the Horizontal Facility II**

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Welcoming remarks: **Ms Evgenia Giakoumopoulou**, Head of Operations, Council of Europe Programme Office in Podgorica

- **Mr Ljubomir Mašković**, State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- **Mr Hermann Spitz**, Head of the Cooperation Section, Delegation of the European Union to Montenegro
- **Ms Pilar Morales**, Head of the Programming Department, Office of the Directorate General of Programmes, Council of Europe

9:20 – 9:50 **Keynote speeches**

- **Mr Vladimir Leposavić**, Minister of Justice, Human and Minority Rights
- **Ms Tamara Srzentić**, Minister of Public Administration, Digital Society and Media
- **Mr Sergej Sekulović**, Minister of Interior
- **Ms Vesna Bratić**, Minister of Education, Science, Culture and Sports

9:50 – 10:00 Break

10:00 – 11:30 Parallel thematic breakout sessions

THEME 1: REFORM OF THE PROSECUTION AND EFFECTIVENESS OF INVESTIGATIONS

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Moderator: **Ms Evgenia Giakoumopoulou**, Head of Operations, Council of Europe Programme Office in Podgorica

Rapporteur: **Mr Miloš Radonjić**, Head of EU political Affairs Department/ Secretary of the Working group for chapters 23 and 24, European Integration Office

“Accountability and professionalism of the judicial system in Montenegro” (HF 6)

- **Mr Veselin Vučković**, State Prosecutor and President of the Professional Association of State Prosecutors of Montenegro
- **Ms Sophio Gelashvili**, Head of Legal Co-operation Unit, Council of Europe

“Improved procedural safeguards in judicial proceedings” (HF 7)

- **Ms Valentina Pavličić**, National Agent before the ECtHR
- **Mr Daniel Schmidt**, Head of South East Europe and Turkey Unit, Council of Europe

“Action against economic crime in Montenegro” (HF 16)

- **Ms Lidija Vukčević**, Special Prosecutor, Special State Prosecutor's Office
- **Mr Evgeni Petkov Evgeniev**, Head of Unit I, Economic Crime, Council of Europe

THEME 2: PREVENTION OF HATE SPEECH, HATE CRIME AND ILL-TREATMENT

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Moderator: Ms Jelena Čolaković, Acting Executive Director, Juventas

Rapporteur: Ms Angela Longo, Programme Manager, No Hate Speech and Co-operation Unit, Council of Europe

“Promotion of diversity and equality in Montenegro” (HF 23)

- **Mr Siniša Bjeković**, Ombudsperson
- **Mr Stefano Valenti**, Head of No Hate Speech and Co-operation Unit, Council of Europe

“Freedom of expression and freedom of the media in South-East Europe – JUFREX 2 – Montenegro” (HF 35)

- **Ms Jadranka Vojvodić**, Deputy Director, Agency for Electronic Media
- **Mr Boris Ristović**, Senior project officer, Council of Europe

“Quality education for all” (HF 24)

- **Ms Tamara Milić**, Head of Unit for Preschool and Inclusive Education, Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports
- **Mr Miloš Bošković**, Senior project officer, Council of Europe

“Further enhancing the human rights protection for detained and sentenced persons in Montenegro” (HF 8)

- **Ms Majda Adžović**, Advisor, Ministry of Interior
- **Ms Raluca Ivan**, Head of Section III, Criminal Law Cooperation Unit, Council of Europe

11:30 – 11:40 Break

11:40 – 12:10 **Conclusions of the parallel thematic sessions and recommendations**

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- **Reports from parallel workshops (Rapporteurs)**

- **Mr Miloš Radonjić**, Head of EU political Affairs Department/ Secretary of the Working group for chapters 23 and 24, European Integration Office
- **Ms Angela Longo**, Programme Manager, No Hate Speech and Co-operation Unit, Council of Europe

12:10 – 12:30 **Closing remarks:**

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- **Ms Milena Šofranac Ljubojević**, Director of the Directorate for OSCE and the Council of Europe, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- **Ms Audrone Urbonavičiute**, Deputy Head of the Cooperation Section, Delegation of the European Union to Montenegro
- **Ms Delphine Freymann**, Head of Division, Office of the Directorate General of Programmes, Council of Europe