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## **LANZAROTE COMMITTEE**

Committee of the Parties to the Council of Europe  
Convention on the protection of children against sexual  
exploitation and sexual abuse

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**List of decisions**

**44<sup>th</sup> meeting**

**Venue: Strasbourg**

4-6 March 2025

Adopted by the Lanzarote Committee on 6 March 2025

The Committee of the Parties (hereinafter referred to as “the Lanzarote Committee” or “the Committee”) to the Council of Europe Convention on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (hereinafter referred to as “the Lanzarote Convention” or “the Convention”) held its 44<sup>th</sup> meeting on 4-6 March 2025 in Strasbourg.

**During this meeting, the Lanzarote Committee:**

1. Adopted its agenda.

***As regards monitoring the implementation of the Lanzarote Convention***

2. Having examined the draft implementation report on data collection mechanisms on child sexual exploitation and sexual abuse, agreed to submit any proposed amendments to the draft report circulated for the 44<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Lanzarote Committee **by 10 March 2025**, in writing, to [lanzarote.committee@coe.int](mailto:lanzarote.committee@coe.int).

3. Having examined the draft implementation report on legal frameworks for the protection of children against sexual abuse in the circle of trust, agreed to submit any proposed amendments in writing by **23 March 2025** to [lanzarote.committee@coe.int](mailto:lanzarote.committee@coe.int), and instructed the Secretariat to prepare a revised version of the draft implementation report for consideration by the Committee for adoption at its 45<sup>th</sup> plenary meeting (2-3 July 2025).

4. Having examined the draft questionnaire on policies for the protection of children against sexual abuse in the circle of trust, agreed to submit any proposed amendments in writing by **23 March 2025** to [lanzarote.committee@coe.int](mailto:lanzarote.committee@coe.int), and instructed the Secretariat to prepare a revised version of the draft questionnaire for consideration by the Committee for adoption at its 45<sup>th</sup> plenary meeting (2-3 July 2025).

5. Instructed the Secretariat to proceed in accordance with the timetable set out in Appendix II.

6. Took note of the update by the Secretariat on the state of play of the compliance procedure concerning the recommendations issued in the 2<sup>nd</sup> monitoring round on the protection of children against sexual exploitation and sexual abuse facilitated by information and communication technologies and agreed to submit any missing or additional information in writing by **15 March 2025** to [lanzarote.committee@coe.int](mailto:lanzarote.committee@coe.int).

***As regards capacity building, exchange of information, experiences and good practices***

7. Following an exchange with Antoaneta Vassileva, President ad interim of the Group of experts on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings (GRETA), agreed to continue exchange of information and strengthen cooperation with GRETA.

8. Following an exchange with Mark Beavan, Head of the Crimes against Children Unit, INTERPOL, took note of the new INTERPOL Strategy to protect children against sexual exploitation and sexual abuse online and agreed to continue exchange of information with INTERPOL.

9. As regards the discussion on the use of the term “survivor”, agreed to:

- postpone item 3.4 “Exchange on the possibility of initiating reflection on the use of the term “survivor””;
- invite Parties to submit information on the use of the term “survivor”, or other alternative terms, in legislation and policy at national level;
- invite a representative of the Inter-agency working group on the second edition of the Terminology Guidelines for the Protection of Children from Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse (“the Luxembourg guidelines”) to present the revised Terminology guidelines, and a representative of the Brave Movement for a presentation on the term “survivor”, for an information session, possibly at its 46<sup>th</sup> plenary meeting (18-20 November 2025).

***Other procedural matters***

10. Adopted the 9<sup>th</sup> Activity report of the Lanzarote Committee.

11. Decided to adopt this list of decisions.

## **Appendix I**

### **Dates of the next plenary meetings**

- 45<sup>th</sup> plenary meeting: 2-3 July 2025, Valetta, Malta (preceded by a ministerial conference in Malta on 1 July 2025)
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- 46<sup>th</sup> plenary meeting: 18-20 November 2025, Chisinau, Republic of Moldova

## Appendix II

### Timetable for next stages of monitoring work

Draft implementation report on data collection methods	Draft implementation report on legal frameworks	Draft questionnaire on policies
Examination: 44 <sup>th</sup> Plenary, 4-6 March 2025		
Comments expected from the Committee on version circulated for 44 <sup>th</sup> Plenary meeting: 10 March	Comments expected from the Committee on version circulated for 44 <sup>th</sup> Plenary meeting: 23 March	Comments expected from the Committee on version circulated for 44 <sup>th</sup> Plenary meeting: 23 March
Secretariat to send out revised version: 18 March		
Comments expected from the Committee on revised version: 15 April		
Secretariat to send out 2 <sup>nd</sup> revised version: 12 May	Secretariat to send out revised version: 15 May	Secretariat to send out revised version: 15 May
Comments expected from the Committee on 2 <sup>nd</sup> revised version: 10 June	Comments expected from the Committee on revised version: 13 June (The comments submitted will appear in track changes in the revised report considered by the Committee during the 45 <sup>th</sup> Plenary).	Comments expected from the Committee on revised version: 13 June
Scheduled adoption: 45 <sup>th</sup> Plenary, 2-3 July 2025		