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**Council for Penological Co-operation
(PC-CP)**

40th Working Group Meeting

DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA

3-5 February 2026

**Council of Europe
Room G05, Agora Building**

The Draft Agenda and the working documents are available on the website: www.coe.int/prison

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1. Opening of the meeting

Opening speeches by Ms Clare Ovey, Director of Human Rights, and Mr Hugh Chetwynd, Head of Department on Deprivation of liberty, Directorate General of Human Rights and Rule of Law, Council of Europe.

2. Adoption of the Agenda and the Order of business

The draft Agenda is contained in document PC-CP-WG(2026)OJ1.

The draft Order of Business is contained in document PC-CP-WG(2026)OB1.

The PC-CP WG is invited to adopt the draft Agenda and draft Order of Business, subject to any further amendments discussed.

3. Latest CDPC meetings and decisions

The PC-CP WG is invited to take note of the information provided by Ms Eva Pastrana, Head of the Criminal Law Division and Secretary to the Council of Europe Committee on Crime Problems (CDPC), regarding the meetings and decisions related to the work of the CDPC including those of relevance to the PC-CP work and mandate.

4. Information provided by the Secretariat

The PC-CP WG is invited to take note of the information provided by its Secretary, Ms Louise Riodel.

5. Working methods of the PC-CP Working Group

The PC-CP WG is invited to hold an exchange of view concerning its working methods, including its work programme and timetable.

6. Revision of CM Recommendation CM/Rec(2012)12 concerning Foreign Prisoners and its Explanatory Memorandum

The PC-CP WG is invited to take note of a presentation by the scientific experts working on the draft Recommendation concerning Foreign nationals in prison or under probation, Mrs Róisín Mulgrew, Mr Michael Sorger and Mr Daniel Danglades concerning the amendments made to the draft text as a result of the discussions held during the 15th Plenary meeting.

It is invited to further examine the entire draft text and to make comments and suggestions for additional amendments to be taken into consideration by the scientific experts in their subsequent work on the text.

7. Council of Europe Probation Rules

The PC-CP WG is invited to take note of the information provided by Ms Jana Špero Kamenjarin, Secretary General of the CEP, concerning the responses received to the Survey on the use and revision of the Council of Europe Probation Rules.

It is further invited to hold an exchange of view on how to proceed with the work on the revision of the Council of Europe Probation Rules, for which the deadline is 31 December 2027.

8. Women in prison and probation

The PC-CP WG is invited to hold an exchange of view on the possibility of addressing the theme of women in prison and probation in the future work of the PC-CP, taking into consideration the discussions held during the 15th Plenary meeting.

9. Preparation of the 31st CDPPS (3-4 June 2026, Valletta, Malta)

The PC-CP WG is invited to take note of the information provided by Mr Christopher Siegersma from the Correctional Services Agency of Malta regarding the state of preparation of the 31st annual Council of Europe Conference of Directors of Prison and Probation Services (CDPPS) which will take place on 3-4 June 2026, in Valletta, Malta.

It is also invited to further discuss and agree on the programme and content of the Conference, speakers and the overall organisation.

10. Gender mainstreaming

The PC-CP WG is invited to take note of the information provided by their gender rapporteur Ms Danijela Mrhar Prelić.

11. Feedback from participation in other meetings

Working Group members wishing to provide feedback on meetings they have attended are invited to inform the Secretariat by 30 January 2026 at the latest.

12. Any other business

Working Group members wishing to raise an issue under this agenda item are invited to inform the Secretariat by 30 January 2026 at the latest.

13. Dates of the next PC-CP meetings

The PC-CP WG is reminded of the dates of the PC-CP meetings to be held in Strasbourg in 2026, namely 14-16 April (41st WG meeting), 15-17 September (42nd WG meeting) and 3-5 November 2026 (16th Plenary meeting).

14. Adoption of the list of decisions

The PC-CP WG is invited to adopt the list of decisions taken.