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COUNCIL OF EUROPE

COMMITTEE ON CRIME PROBLEMS (CDPC)

COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON COMBATTING THE SMUGGLING OF MIGRANTS (PC-TM)

AGENDA

1st meeting, 28-29 April 2026

Hybrid format

**Room 11, Palais de l' Europe
Council of Europe, Strasbourg**

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[Committee of Experts on combatting the smuggling of migrants \(PC-TM\)](#)

Tuesday 28 April 2026	
09:30	Opening of the meeting by Hanne Juncher, Director, Directorate of Security, Integrity and Rule of Law Adoption of the agenda Presentation by the Secretariat of existing Council of Europe work to combat migrant smuggling: David Milner, Head of the Human Rights Intergovernmental Co-operation Division (CDDH) Nikolaos Sitaropoulos, Head of the Division on Migration and Refugees (DMR) Petya Nestorova, Head of Division and Executive Secretary of the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings (GRETA)
11:00	<i>Coffee break and family photo</i>
11:30	Tour de table: brief introduction by the Committee Members, Participants and Observers Moderator: Eva Pastrana, Head of the Criminal Law Division and Secretary to the Council of Europe Committee on Crime Problems (CDPC)
12:30	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00	Presentation of the preliminary outline of the draft Recommendation - main issues and guidance Moderators: Andreas Schloenhardt, Professor, University of Vienna and of Queensland, Council of Europe consultant / Calogero Ferrara, European Delegated Prosecutor at EPPO, Council of Europe consultant
15:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:00	Discussion of the Preliminary outline - main issues and guidance (<i>continued</i>)
17:30	<i>End of day 1</i>

Wednesday 29 April 2026	
09:30	Discussion of the Preliminary outline - main issues and guidance (<i>continued</i>)
11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:30	Discussion of the Preliminary outline - main issues and guidance (<i>continued</i>) Election of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Committee Appointment of the Gender Equality Rapporteur
13:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:30	Discussion of the timeline for the PC-TM (2026-2027) Date and place of the next meeting Any other business
15:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:00	Adoption of the meeting report
16:30	Closing remarks by Gianluca Esposito , Director General, Directorate General of Human Rights and Rule of Law, Council of Europe
17:00	<i>End of the meeting</i>