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Ministry of Culture



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PROGRAMME

Follow-Up Meeting on the Application of the Council of Europe Conventions on National Minorities and Minority Languages

13 November 2018
Stockholm

The aim of the meeting is to provide a forum for an exchange of views between national minority representatives, the Council of Europe, the Government Offices and other public actors on the application of the two conventions on national minorities and minority languages in Sweden.

Three main areas will be examined during the meeting:

- Institutional and legal framework
- Language, education and culture
- Participation in decision-making

The working language during the meeting will be English.

The meeting concerns the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities (FCNM) and the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages (ECRML).

09:00-09:30 **Arrival**
30 min Coffee/tea

OPENING

09:30-09:40 **Welcome and Opening Statement**
10 min Ms Helena SWENZÉN, Director General for Administrative and Legal Affairs
Ms Jenny OLAUSSON, Deputy Director General

09:40-09:50 **Main findings by the Advisory Committee**
10 min Ms Laura-Maria CRĂCIUNEAN-TATU, Advisory Committee (FCNM)

09:50-10:00 **Main findings by the Committee of Experts**
10 min Mr John LUNDUM, Committee of Experts (ECRML)

10:00-10:15 **The Inquiry on a Strengthened Minority Policy**
15 min Mr Lennart ROHDIN, former Special Investigator

10:15-10:25 **Comments on the Overall Situation**
10 min Ms Josefin GUSTAFSSON, Sweden Finnish Youth Organization
Second Comment, TBC

10:25-10:40 **Technical Break**
15 min

THEME 1: INSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL FRAMEWORK

10:40-10:50 **The Situation According to the Opinion of the Advisory Committee**
10 min Ms Laura-Maria CRĂCIUNEAN-TATU, Advisory Committee (FCNM)

10:50-11:00 **The Situation According to the Opinion of the Committee of Experts**
10 min Mr John LUNDUM, Committee of Experts (ECRML)

11:00-11:10 **Measures to Strengthen the Institutional and Legal Framework**
10 min Mr Erik ADELL HELLSTRÖM, Ministry of Culture

11:10-11:20 **Coordination and Follow-Up**
10 min Ms Pernilla EK, County Administrative Board of Stockholm
Ms Aina NEGGA, Sami Parliament

11:20-11:30 **Opening Comments**
10 min Ms Kaisa SYRJÄNEN SCHAAL, Church of Sweden

11:30-11:55 **Comments**
25 min Open floor

LUNCH

11:55-12:40 **Lunch**
45 min Standing lunch with the possibility for further discussions

THEME 2: LANGUAGE, EDUCATION AND CULTURE

- 12:40-12:50**
10 min **The Situation According to the Opinion of the Committee of Experts**
Mr John LUNDUM, Committee of Experts (ECRML)
- 12:50-12:55**
5 min **Measures Within Education and Research**
Mr Gunnar STENBERG, Ministry of Education and Research
- 12:55-13:05**
10 min **National Minority Languages and the National Agency for Education**
Ms Helena LUNDGREN, National Agency for Education
- 13:05-13:15**
10 min **Measures Regarding Language and Culture**
Ms Harriet KOWALSKI, Institute for Language and Folklore
Ms Bella LAWSON, Swedish Arts Council
- 13:15-13:25**
10 min **Opening Comments**
Ms Maja MELLA, National Association of Swedish Tornedalians
- 13:25-13:50**
25 min **Comments**
Open floor
- 13:50-14:05**
15 min **Technical Break**

THEME 3: PARTICIPATION IN DECISION-MAKING

- 14:05-14:15**
10 min **The Situation According to the Opinion of the Advisory Committee**
Ms Laura-Maria CRĂCIUNEAN-TATU, Advisory Committee (FCNM)
- 14:15-14:20**
5 min **Measures to Improve Participation in Decision-Making Processes**
Mr Andrés ZANZI, Ministry of Culture
- 14:20-14:30**
10 min **Participation Within Municipalities and Government Authorities**
Ms Sanna RANTAMÄKI, Haninge Municipality
Ms Karin JUNEHAG KÄLLMAN, Public Health Agency
- 14:30-14:40**
10 min **Opening Comments**
Ms Anna SIMON KARLSSON, Jewish Youth Union of Sweden
Ms Ellacarin BLIND, Sámiid Riikkasearvi
- 14:40-15:05**
25 min **Comments**
Open floor

CLOSING

- 15:05-15:20**
15 min **Summary of the Meeting**
Ms Agnes VON MARAVIC, Council of Europe
- 15:20-15:30**
10 min **Closing Statements**
Mr John LUNDUM, Committee of Experts (ECRML)
Ms Laura-Maria CRĂCIUNEAN-TATU, Advisory Committee (FCNM)
Ms Jenny OLAUSSON, Deputy Director-General