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MEETING REPORT

MEMORANDUM

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Executive Summary

During the 55th Plenary meeting, held in Strasbourg from 5-7 December 2017, the MONEYVAL Committee:

- discussed and adopted the 5th round mutual evaluation report and its executive summary on Ukraine, and decided to subject the country to the enhanced follow-up procedure;
- adopted the follow-up report by Hungary under the 5th round of mutual evaluations;
- adopted the 4th round compliance reports of Croatia, Poland and the Slovak Republic under the Compliance Enhancing Procedures, and invited the countries to submit further reports at the 56th Plenary; adopted the 4th round follow-up report by Bulgaria and decided to apply Step 1 of its Compliance Enhancing Procedures with regard to the country;
- adopted the 3rd round progress report by the Holy See/Vatican City State, and invited the state to report back in December 2019;
- heard an updated analysis from the Secretariat on the follow-up procedure of the Terrorist Financing Fact-Finding Initiative, and decided to scrutinise the deficiencies of the only remaining country in this procedure in the margin of that country's 4th round follow-up and thus to terminate this *ad hoc* follow-up initiative;
- held a discussion on improving the working methods of its Working Group on Evaluations (WGE);
- had an exchange of views with Ms Daria Kaleniuk (Executive Director of the Anti-Corruption Action Centre in Ukraine) about an online database of domestic politically exposed persons in Ukraine;
- heard a presentation from the UK Crown Dependency of the Isle of Man on registration and oversight of convertible virtual currency businesses;
- heard a presentation from Azerbaijan about practical approaches to the implementation of R.6;
- heard a report from the Gender Equality Rapporteur on financial aspects of human trafficking;
- amended its rules of procedure in light of recent changes to the FATF "universal procedures";
- elected for a term of two years Mr Daniel Thelesklaf (Liechtenstein) as Chair; Ms Elzbieta Frankow-Jaskiewicz (Poland) and Mr Alexey Petrenko (Russian Federation) as Vice-Chairs; and Mr Franck Oehlert (France) as Bureau member;
- held a special agenda item to mark MONEYVAL's 20th anniversary, during which the Committee bid farewell to Professor William Gilmore (United Kingdom) who had held various functions in MONEYVAL since its creation.

Reports adopted will be made available shortly under each jurisdiction's profile, in accordance with MONEYVAL's publication policy.

The Committee of Experts on the evaluation of anti-money laundering measures and the financing of terrorism (MONEYVAL) held its 55th Plenary meeting from 5-7 December 2017 in Strasbourg under the presidency of Mr Daniel Thelesklaf (Liechtenstein). The agenda of the meeting is attached as Appendix I, MONEYVAL's calendar of activities is attached as Appendix II, and the list of participants is attached as Appendix III.

Day 1: Tuesday 5 December 2017

Agenda item 1 – Opening of the Plenary Meeting

1. The Chair, Mr Daniel Thelesklaf, opened the Plenary by welcoming all participants. Mr Christos Giakoumopoulos, Director General (DG Human Rights and Rule of Law) made an opening statement in which he congratulated MONEYVAL for its 20th anniversary. Mr Giakoumopoulos also informed the Plenary that two of MONEYVAL's scientific experts, Professor William Gilmore and Mr Philip Röser, would end their mandate by the end of 2017, i.e. the current Plenary being their last one. On behalf of the Plenary, the Chair warmly thanked both for their important work over many years as scientific experts. Mr Giakoumopoulos also informed the Plenary that the Directorate General has appointed, on behalf of the Secretary General, Mr Andrew LeBrun (UK Crown Dependency of Jersey) as financial scientific expert and Mr Lajos Korona (Hungary) as legal scientific expert as of January 2018 for an initial period of five years.
2. On behalf of the Secretary General, Mr Giakoumopoulos handed over to Professor Gilmore the Council of Europe medal of honour for his service to the organisation of more than 25 years, including in various functions (e.g. as scientific expert, Co-Chair of the Working Group on Evaluations) since MONEYVAL's creation. The Plenary gave him a standing ovation. For more information on Professor Gilmore's departure, see also agenda item 24 in this report.
3. Mr Jan Kleijssen, Director of Information Society and Action against Crime, informed the Plenary about the overall financial situation of the Council of Europe. This concerned in particular the recently adopted budget for the period 2018-2019, which the Committee of Ministers had decided with a so-called "zero budgetary growth", i.e. not taking into account a particular percentage for inflation. Moreover, Mr Kleijssen informed the Plenary that two major contributors to the ordinary budget had either suspended their payment or decided to withdraw from its status as major contributor. This continued to cause severe financial difficulties for the organisation which affects all its committees, including MONEYVAL. The Chair called upon all delegations to consider voluntary contributions or secondments to MONEYVAL to overcome the present situation, reminding delegations that they receive the evaluations and participation in Plenaries without having to provide any direct contribution in return.

Agenda item 2 – Adoption of the agenda

4. The Committee adopted the agenda as circulated (see Appendix I) and decided to postpone the discussion of agenda items 7 and 24.

Agenda item 3 – Information from the Chairman

5. The Chair informed the Plenary about the correspondence with MONEYVAL jurisdictions since the 54th Plenary in September 2017. He also informed the Plenary about a letter of 5 December 2017 in which the FATF Presidency had appointed France and Italy for

another two-year term as the two FATF countries which are members of MONEYVAL (Article 3, paragraph 3 of MONEYVAL's Statute).

6. The Chair reported about two MONEYVAL roundtables held in New York City and Washington D.C. on correspondent banking ("Re-connecting the de-risked") which were held on 11 and 12 October 2017. The Chair explained that the reason for this outreach had been concern about a recent decline in co-respondent banking relationships in the area of Eastern Europe, resulting in a threat to the global AML/CFT agenda. Each roundtable had brought together around 40-50 participants from global financial institutions, respondent banks from several MONEYVAL jurisdictions and relevant international organisations (e.g. the UN Counter-Terrorism Committee; the World Bank; the Financial Stability Board; the International Monetary Fund; and the Financial Action Task Force, FATF). Representatives from the US Treasury, the Federal Reserve and the State Department also attended. Amongst the numerous speakers was the Vice-President of the FATF, Ms Jennifer Fowler, and the FATF Executive Secretary, Mr David Lewis. In his speech, Mr Lewis had commended MONEYVAL for having a leading role as a FSRB, and for contributing significantly to the work of the FATF. Mr Lewis had also stated that MONEYVAL reports are meeting the FATF's expectations and are subject to a global quality and consistency review. For that reason, and with regard to the assessment process, MONEYVAL membership can be considered as equivalent to FATF membership. The roundtables aimed at informing about the work of MONEYVAL, in particular about the mutual evaluation process and how MONEYVAL reports can be used by global financial institutions. It also sought to clarify the regulatory expectations and explain the relevant global standard set by the FATF for the provision of correspondent banking. Participants discussed what correspondent banks can expect from respondent banks, and what respondent banks can do to contribute to manage related money laundering and terrorist financing risks. The Chair warmly thanked Citibank for hosting the event in New York City, and the World Bank for hosting the event in Washington, D.C.
7. Several delegations warmly welcomed this initiative, stressed the importance to address the issue of de-risking and encouraged the Chair to go ahead, together with the Secretariat, with similar events planned for the future.

Agenda item 4 – Information from the Secretariat

8. The Executive Secretary informed the Plenary about MONEYVAL's calendar of activities for 2018, which is attached as Appendix II to this report. He mentioned in particular the recent onsite visits to Albania (October) and Latvia (November). He thanked both delegations warmly for having organised the onsite visits. The Secretariat also held a two-day training in November in Malta, one year ahead of the onsite visit to that country.
9. Mr Michael Stellini reported about the FATF Plenary meeting in October 2017 in Buenos Aires. In particular, he mentioned changes in the methodology decided at that meeting. This concerned a revised footnote for R.7 concerning the Iran-related sanctions, changes to R.25 (also in relation to a footnote), as well as revisions of the interpretative notes of R.18 (regarding information sharing) and R.21. These changes would also be assessed in the context of a follow-up report, especially where countries ask for a re-rating. In this respect, Mr Stellini mentioned that the FATF had changed its universal procedure by introducing a quality and consistency review process of the global AML/CFT network for follow-up reports in which countries seek re-ratings for technical compliance. This would also make necessary changes in MONEYVAL's rules of procedure (see agenda item 16). Mr Stellini noted a guidance paper on private-sector information sharing which had been adopted by the FATF, as well as ongoing work on guidance regarding financing of proliferation. A new typologies report on the financing of recruitment for terrorist purposes

has been adopted, but not yet published (as it will first be discussed with NPO representatives). Finally, an update on IS financing was issued by the FATF.

10. The Chair and the Executive Secretariat reminded all delegations to fill in and return to the Secretariat the questionnaire concerning the FATF practitioner's handbook on how to request foreign countries to implement targeted financial sanctions pursuant to UNSCR 1373, the deadline being 5 January 2018 (see agenda item 9 of the 54th Plenary report).
11. The Executive Secretary informed the Plenary that he had received on 2 December 2017 a letter by the Minister of Finance of San Marino about an envisaged Voluntary Tax Compliance Scheme by the country, the adoption of which is planned for the end of January 2018. He recalled the rules of procedure adopted by MONEYVAL in 2014 to evaluate such schemes against the FATF's four basic principles, which provide for a Secretariat analysis once the scheme is adopted to be shared with the country concerned, the Bureau and the scientific experts. The analysis would subsequently be shared with delegations and tabled for consideration at MONEYVAL's next Plenary.
12. The Executive Secretary informed the Plenary that a new position was to be created as of 1 January 2018 from voluntary contributions by the following MONEYVAL members: the UK Crown Dependencies of Guernsey, the Isle of Man and Jersey; and the British Overseas Territory of Gibraltar. He warmly thanked these delegations, as well as the delegations of Monaco and San Marino for having recently made a contribution for a two-year period. The Chair stressed the importance of such contributions to ensure that the MONEYVAL Secretariat is sufficiently resourced.
13. Finally, the Executive Secretary reported to the Plenary about the participation of the MONEYVAL Secretariat in other fora. This concerned the participation of Ms Ani Melkonyan (Armenia, currently seconded to the MONEYVAL Secretariat) in the recent EAG Plenary in November as expert for the evaluation of Kirgizstan. Ms Veronika Mets participated as expert in the FintechForum organised on 16-17 November 2017 in Tallinn by Estonia as part of its current EU presidency.

Agenda item 5 – Compliance Enhancing Procedures

5.1 Report from Croatia under step i of the Compliance Enhancing Procedures

14. Following the adoption of the 4th round MER in September 2013, Croatia was placed in regular follow-up. Since then Croatia submitted four follow-up reports (in September 2015, April 2016, December 2016 and September 2017 respectively). At the last occasion in September 2017, Croatia was invited to seek removal from the regular follow-up. The Plenary had however found in September 2017 that, despite of additional amendments proposed to the Criminal Code and the Criminal Procedures Code, the majority of identified shortcomings remained unaddressed and that Croatia was thus not yet in a position to be removed from the regular follow-up procedure. The Plenary then decided to apply Step 1 of the MONEYVAL's Compliance Enhancing Procedures in September 2017 and invited Croatia to report on the state of the draft AML/CFT Law at its 55th Plenary in December 2017. Croatia was invited to further report on all other remaining deficiencies at the 56th Plenary.
15. The Secretariat presented its analysis, followed by the information from the Croatian delegation that the new AML/CFT Law was adopted by the Croatian Parliament on 27 October 2017 and published in the Official Gazette on 8 November 2017. The new law seeks the implementation of the Directive (EU) 2015/849 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2015 on the prevention of the use of the financial system for the purposes of money laundering or terrorist financing (4th EU AML Directive) and as well

as MONEYVAL recommendations from the 4th round MER regarding a number of core and key recommendations.

Decision taken

16. The Plenary congratulated the Croatian delegation for the adoption of the AML/CFT Law. It asked the country to provide as soon as possible an English translation of the law for analysis by the Secretariat ahead of the 56th Plenary, when Croatia is invited to also report in a second compliance report on the remaining deficiencies which are not addressed by the AML/CFT Law.

5.2 Report from Poland under step i of the Compliance Enhancing Procedures

17. MONEYVAL adopted the mutual evaluation report of Poland under the 4th round of mutual evaluations at its 41st Plenary meeting (April 2013). Poland was placed into regular follow-up and has submitted in total six follow-up reports. In September 2017, the Plenary decided to apply Step 1 of CEPs, in particular because the draft AML/CFT Law which is expected to address the outstanding deficiencies in relation to preventive measures (R.5, R.13 and SR.IV) as well as the deficiencies in relation to targeted financial sanctions (SR.III) had still not been adopted.
18. The Polish delegation informed the Plenary in its first compliance report about progress made since the September Plenary. According to the compliance report, the adoption by the Council of Ministers and the subsequent adoption of the Law by the Polish Parliament are envisaged by the end of 2017.

Decision taken

19. The Plenary noted that there had been some progress since the September Plenary with regard to the outstanding deficiencies of the 4th round MER. This is notably with regard to the legislative process of the draft AML/CFT Law, in particular the adoption of the draft law by the Permanent Committee of the Council of Ministers. For that reason, the Plenary invited Poland to report back at the 56th Plenary. Should the draft AML/CFT Law still not have entered into force by then, the Plenary would consider adopting Step 2 of CEPs. The Plenary also noted that some of the outstanding deficiencies under R.3 with regard to instrumentalities, albeit of a technical nature, were related to a recommendation on effectiveness and were not required to be implemented by the FATF 2003 recommendations. In this respect, the Chair also noted that CEPs would not be the most suitable instrument to address effectiveness issues, as the procedure is initially either desk-based or involves an onsite visit on a high-level (rather than a technical level).

5.3 Report from the Slovak Republic under step i of the Compliance Enhancing Procedures

20. Following the adoption of the 4th round MER in September 2011, the Slovak Republic was placed in regular follow-up. The country submitted in total seven follow up reports between 2012 and 2017. At the 53rd Plenary (30 May – 1 June 2017), the Plenary decided to move the Slovak Republic to enhanced follow-up and apply Step 1 of CEPs. Even though the Slovak Republic had made sufficient progress on all other outstanding core and key recommendations, the Plenary noted that there were still deficiencies with regard to Special Recommendation III (SR.III) and Recommendation 26 (R.26).
21. The Plenary welcomed the high-level commitment made by the Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic, Mr Robert Fico, in a letter to the Secretary General of the Council of Europe in early December 2017. The Slovak Republic reported that, in light of the

outstanding deficiencies identified by MONEYVAL, it is preparing amendments to the “Act on international sanctions”, in particular a new draft provision which would include a procedure in law for the publication of relevant UNSCRs without undue delay on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The Plenary also noted that the issues of requests by third states and requests for unfreezing or de-listing are currently not regulated in more detail by a particular procedure, and suggested that the planned amendments to the “Act on international Sanctions” cover these issues. The Slovak Republic submitted that the adoption by Parliament of the amendments is envisaged for January 2018.

Decision taken

22. On the basis of the progress reported and envisaged by the Slovak Republic by the time of the Plenary in December 2017, the Secretariat noted that the legislative proposals would widely address the concerns about SR.III and may bring the compliance with this recommendation to a level of “largely compliant”. The Plenary urged the Slovak Republic to finalise these amendments as speedily as the constitutional process allows. Should these amendments not be adopted by the time of the 56th Plenary, to which the Slovak Republic should be invited to report back, the Plenary should consider the adoption of Step 2 of its CEPs. At that time, the Plenary should also further be presented with progress on the outstanding deficiencies under R.26. The Plenary underlined that progress on both recommendations was necessary to be demonstrated in the current procedure.

Agenda item 6 – “Two years of the Working Group of Evaluations”: discussion of experiences and proposals to enhance the group’s working methods

23. On behalf of the Plenary, the Chair warmly thanked the two Co-Chairs of the Working Group on Evaluations (WGE), Professor William Gilmore (scientific expert) and Mr Nicola Muccioli (San Marino), for their work in the past two years since the WGE’s creation. He recalled that the mandate of the Co-Chairs, who are appointed by the MONEYVAL Bureau (one scientific expert, one expert from a delegation), ends after two years, but is renewable. After the retirement of Professor Gilmore, the Chair reported that the Bureau had taken a decision at its meeting on 5 December 2017 to reappoint Mr Muccioli and to appoint Mr John Ringguth (scientific expert) as Co-Chairs of the WGE for a term of two years, which is renewable.
24. The Executive Secretary reported about a discussion the Bureau held at its meeting on 5 December 2017 on possible measures that could be taken to improve the group’s working methods. On account of this report, the Plenary discussed such measures. The Plenary considered that both Co-Chairs could, if the need would arise, share the work during a particular report discussion in the WGE according to their area of specialisation, but that this would not be advisable on a regular basis, in particular for Plenaries in which more than one report is being discussed. On such occasions where two reports are scheduled, the WGE would need to meet for a full day.
25. The Plenary also decided to expand the participation in the WGE to up to three experts, but maintaining the current rule that the participation of only one expert would be financed by the Council of Europe, i.e. without any additional financial implications for the budget. It was decided that these changes would be reflected in the rules of procedure (terms of reference of the WGE, Appendix 4, see agenda item 16). The attendance by the relevant Co-Chair of face-to-face meetings and Bureau meetings (for agenda items concerning MERs) would be optional. When two MERs are being discussed at the 57th Plenary, the Secretariat would seek (as much as the timeline allows) to circulate these reports for comments in a manner which would allow delegations to accommodate this

with absences during the summer period. In this regard, a preannouncement by the Secretariat prior to the circulation of a report could be helpful for delegations. Finally, the importance was stressed by the Plenary that delegations send sufficient proposals for real key issues which could form the basis for the WGE discussions.

Agenda item 8-9: Information on AML/CFT initiatives in MONEYVAL states and territories (tour de table)

26. The Plenary held a *tour de table* with regard to recent AML/CFT developments in its jurisdictions (for more information on the *tour de table* see forthcoming document MONEYVAL-Plenary 55(2017)INF8). Delegations continued to present ML or FT cases of interest, which was very welcomed by all participants. The Chair encouraged all delegations to particularly present FT cases at such occasions. He also reminded all delegations that they would be welcome to submit novel or updated statistics in writing under this agenda item, but that such information should not be recited during the *tour de table* procedure.

Agenda items 10 – 11: Information on AML/CFT initiatives in the European Union and other international fora

27. The Plenary heard information about recent initiatives from the European Commission, the Eurasian Group on Combating Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (EAG), the Financial Action Task Force (FATF), the Group of International Financial Centre Supervisors (GIFCS) and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC).

Day 2: Wednesday 6 December 2017

Agenda item 12 – Third round follow-up: third progress report by the Holy See

28. The Chair recalled to the Plenary the reasons for having one member, the Holy See, in the third round follow-up, notably the Holy See's joining of MONEYVAL in 2011 and its 3rd round evaluation having taken place in 2012. According to the rules of procedure, the Holy See should submit a progress report on a biannual basis, with the last report dating back to December 2015.

29. Mr John Ringguth (scientific expert), who acted as a reviewer for the third progress report of the Holy See, introduced the analysis. The Holy See then presented its progress report. San Marino, which acted as rapporteur country for the report, posed a number of questions followed by comments from other delegations.

30. The Plenary recognised that – judging from a desk-based review – the Financial Information Authority (AIF) seemed to be working efficiently as both a financial intelligence unit and as supervisor of the one financial entity in the Holy See. In the past two years, the Holy See had established a functioning reporting system. Both the AIF and the judicial authorities have sought and were responding to international cooperation requests in their work.

31. The Plenary noted that the Holy See had still not brought a money laundering case to court. While considerable amounts of money continued to be frozen, no criminal case had yet produced a confiscation order. The Plenary recommended the Holy See to assure that the money laundering aspects of all outstanding investigations in financial crime cases are proactively pursued. In this regard, it noted that the overall effectiveness of the Holy See's engagement with combatting money laundering depended on the

results that are achieved by the prosecution and the courts.

Decision taken

32. Following MONEYVAL's rules of procedure for the third round, the Holy See was invited to present an update on action taken to implement the Committee's recommendations by December 2019, unless that date is less than one year away from the onsite visit by MONEYVAL in its 5th round of mutual evaluations. In that event, the present monitoring would be discontinued (Rule 12 in conjunction of Rule 13, paragraph 8 of MONEYVAL's 4th round rules of procedure).

Agenda item 13 – Fourth round follow-up: application by Bulgaria to be removed from regular follow-up

33. Following the adoption of the 4th round MER in September 2013, Bulgaria was placed in regular follow-up. Since then, Bulgaria has submitted three follow-up reports (in September 2015, September 2016 and May 2017 respectively). Bulgaria was invited to submit a further progress report and seek exit from the regular follow-up process at the 55th Plenary.
34. The Secretariat analysis of Bulgaria's fourth follow-up report concluded at the outset that, despite positive steps that had been undertaken, some deficiencies with regard to SR.II and R.3 were still in place. This concerned primarily: i) the lack of criminalisation of all offences listed in the Annex to the TF Convention, ii) the definition of the purposive element of terrorism/TF offence which was not in line with the Article 2.1(b) of the TF Convention, and iii) the lack of criminalisation of some predicate offences (i.e. market manipulation and insider trading) and limitations this may impose to seizure and confiscation. While the authorities reported that they were in the process of finalising draft amendments to the Criminal Code aimed at rectifying these deficiencies, these amendments were still pending in the parliamentary procedure at the time of the 55th Plenary. The Secretariat analysis noted that the draft amendments were revised following the 53rd Plenary discussion and meanwhile include the elements needed to fully rectify the aforementioned deficiencies. The Bulgarian delegation informed the Plenary that the legislative process was at an advanced stage, awaiting the adoption of Parliament.

Decision taken

35. The Plenary found that the country was not yet in a position to exit the regular follow-up procedure given that the on-going process of amending the Criminal Code is yet to be finalised. Whilst Bulgaria was encouraged to complete this legislative process as soon as possible, the Plenary, mindful of Rule 13, paragraph 6 of the MONEYVAL 4th round Rules of Procedure and the fact that more than four years have passed since the adoption of the MER, decided to apply Step 1 of the Compliance Enhancing Procedures. Bulgaria was asked to report back at the 56th Plenary.

Agenda item 14 – Fifth round follow-up: first enhanced follow-up report by Hungary

36. Following the decision in September 2016 by the Plenary, Hungary was subjected to the 5th round enhanced follow-up process and invited to report back in December 2017. At the beginning of the discussion, the Chair recalled that the follow-up process focused on progress made by the country on addressing the technical deficiencies identified in the 5th round mutual evaluation report, with the possibility of re-ratings and with the expectation that countries address these deficiencies within three years at the latest. Progress on effectiveness (with the possibility of re-ratings) would be subject to a later follow-up assessment, which would not be a mere desk-based review but involve a short onsite

visit (see Rule 24). The Chair informed the Plenary that Hungary had also submitted information on effectiveness (for information only, see Rule 21.4) which the Secretariat had summarised as an annex to its analysis of the follow-up report. The Chair also informed the Plenary that the discussion would be mainly based on a number of “key issues” which the Secretariat had selected together with the Hungarian delegation and which concerned R. 6, 12 and 28. Delegations would then have the opportunity to raise additional issues.

37. The Secretariat thanked the two reviewer teams (Armenia and the UK Crown Dependency of Jersey) for their valuable input. It gave a short overview of the analysis and informed the Plenary, after a meeting held with the Hungarian delegation, that an upgrade on R.35 to “largely compliant” would be suggested in light of new information received and with a number of changes to the relevant text which were read out to the Plenary. The Hungarian delegation had then the opportunity to present its report.
38. With respect to R.6, the Secretariat welcomed the adoption of the new FRM Act on the application of the targeted financial sanctions by the obliged entities and certain state bodies, but noted that a number of deficiencies identified in the MER remained unaddressed. In particular, as for the implementation of the UNSCRs without delay, there was no domestic mechanism set to overcome the delay and no formal mechanism established to evidence direct application of the UNSCRs in Hungary. The European Commission noted as regards the issue of implementation of the UNSCRs without delay that recently the EU had made a significant progress, shortening the transposition of the UNSCRs in the EU legal framework up to 3-4 days. In light of these clarifications, a large number of countries expressed the opinion that, although deficiencies remained under R.6, these could be considered as “minor”. This put the Plenary in the position to upgrade R.6 to “largely compliant”. As the same deficiency also related to R.7, the Plenary also decided on an upgrade for that recommendation.
39. As to R.12, the main issue was whether the outstanding deficiencies (which were undisputed) were considered as “moderate” or “minor”. As there was no consensus that the latter was the case, the Plenary did not decide on an upgrade for R.12. Concerning R.28, the Plenary took note of the explanation provided by the Secretariat and concluded that the “partly compliant”-rating appropriately reflected the remaining deficiencies.
40. The European Commission requested an upgrade for R.13, considering that compliance was sufficiently ensured at supranational level. After the Secretariat informed the Plenary about a clear jurisprudence on this issue with regard to a number of FATF reports for EU member states to which MONEYVAL would be bound, the Plenary decided that an upgrade on R.13 to “largely compliant” was not possible until that question was fully settled at FATF-level.
41. Overall, the Plenary found that Hungary had made very commendable progress in addressing the technical compliance deficiencies identified in MONEYVAL’s mutual evaluation report of September 2016 during a very short time period. This led the Plenary to take the decision to grant Hungary’s request for up-grades for 13 recommendations. It found that, as Hungary had addressed the deficiencies in respect of R. 1, 2, 6, 7, 10, 16, 19, 22, 23, 25, 34 and 35, these were now re-rated as “largely compliant”. Recommendation 15 has been re-rated as “compliant”.
42. The Plenary also recognised that further steps had been taken to improve compliance with R.8, 12, 13, 18, 24 and 28, but shortcomings (which are more than just minor ones) remained. Consequently, the ratings for these recommendations remained “partially compliant”.

43. For R.5, Hungary had adopted amendments to its Criminal Code, but these will be in force only in January 2018, i.e. after MONEYVAL's 55th Plenary in December 2017. Consequently, the Plenary decided that the rating remained "partially compliant" for the time being, with the possibility of a re-rating once the amendments have entered into force.
44. The Chair informed the Plenary that the follow-up report of Hungary will be submitted to the quality and consistency review of the global AML/CFT network (Rule 21.15 of MONEYVAL's 5th round rules of procedure, see agenda item 16). Any re-ratings decided upon by the Plenary are consequently not final, and the report cannot yet be published, before the finalisation of this review.

Decision taken

45. The Plenary invited Hungary to submit a second follow-up report for the 57th MONEYVAL Plenary in December 2018 (Rule 23.1). In this regard, the Plenary took note of its recently amended Rule 21.12. This rule would narrow the scope of the follow-up process for MONEYVAL in case a parallel review of the AML/CFT-system in Hungary is continued at the level of the FATF.

Agenda item 15 - FATF Terrorist Financing Fact-Finding Initiative: follow-up procedure within MONEYVAL regarding countries for which significant gaps were identified by the FATF

46. The Secretariat presented its analysis of the fourth progress update under the dedicated follow-up process within MONEYVAL to the Terrorist Financing Fact-Finding Initiative (TF FFI) undertaken by the FATF to identify jurisdictions in the global network with fundamental or significant gaps in their implementation of FATF R.5 and 6. It recalled that only one country remained in the process, namely "The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia". The Secretariat also recalled that the country had drafted a new law on international restrictive measures which regulates targeted financial sanctions under UNSCRs and which would address the remaining deficiencies. Since the September Plenary, "The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" had made tangible progress through the approval of the draft Law by the government and its subsequent discussion in Parliament which has already passed the first reading.

Decision taken

47. The Plenary encouraged the "The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" to adopt the law as expeditiously as the legislative process allows. It invited the country to provide a further update on the state of the law at the next Plenary. As the country is scheduled to provide a full 4th round follow-up report and seek removal from that round at that occasion, the Plenary decided that the present issue is fully covered by this follow-up report. As the "The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" was the only remaining country in the TF FFI, the Plenary decided to terminate this *ad hoc* procedure.

Agenda item 16 - Amendment of MONEYVAL's Rules of Procedure to align them with the FATF Universal Procedures

48. The Secretariat informed the Plenary about recent changes to the FATF universal procedures and a subsequent call by the FATF upon all FSRBs to align their rules of procedures with these changes. The Executive Secretary explained these proposals to all delegations, which had previously obtained them in writing in advance of the Plenary. The Plenary then unanimously adopted the changes.

49. The main changes relate to the introduction of a quality and consistency review process of the global AML/CFT network for 5th round follow-up reports in which countries seek re-ratings for technical compliance, before such reports become final and be published. This also includes a standardised follow-up report publication format, as well as an analytical tool for technical compliance re-ratings (which will be both attached as Appendices 6 and 7 to the rules of procedure). The necessary changes are summarised in the FATF document “Ensuring Q&C for technical compliance re-ratings” by the FATF’s Evaluations and Compliance Group (FATF/ECG(2017)21/REV1), a copy of which had been made available on the restricted website. The changes also contained a clarification that, if any of the FATF standards have been revised since the last day of the on-site visit, the country will be assessed for compliance with all revised standards at the time its re-rating request is considered. Moreover, the deadlines for submission of such reports and circulation of the Secretariat analysis were adjusted. The Secretariat stated that it would handle the deadlines with some flexibility, if necessary, for the two delegations (Armenia and the UK Crown Dependency of the Isle of Man) which would have to submit follow-up reports for the next Plenary.
50. The Plenary also agreed on two other changes which were unrelated to the universal procedures. The first gave a higher degree of flexibility for evaluation teams to hold its pre-meeting before or after the submission of the first draft of the MER (Rule 16, para. 7), the second concerned a change in the terms of reference for the Working Group on Evaluations (WGE, Appendix 4 of the Rules of procedure) to allow the participation of up to three experts (previously: one expert) per delegation and observer during the WGE meetings (see also agenda item 6). In this regard, the Plenary however decided to maintain the rule that the expenses of only one member per delegation are covered by MONEYVAL’s budget; hence this change would not have any budgetary implications.

Agenda item 17- Elections of the Bureau (Chair, two Vice-Chairs and one other Bureau member)

51. The Plenary re-elected Mr Daniel Thelesklaf (Liechtenstein) as Chair and Ms Elzbieta Frankow-Jaskiewicz (Poland) as Vice-Chair. Given that the Committee of Ministers had amended MONEYVAL’s Statute in September 2017 to allow the Bureau to have a second Vice-Chair, the Plenary also elected Mr Alexey Petrenko (Russian Federation) as Vice-Chair. The Executive Secretary recalled that this statutory change left the overall number of Bureau members unaffected. As the Plenary had already elected Mr Richard Walker (UK Crown Dependency of Guernsey) for a two-year term in September 2017, the Plenary proceeded with the election of one additional Bureau member and re-elected Mr Franck Oehlert (France) to that effect. All (re)elections are for a term of two years. The Executive Secretary thanked and congratulated all candidates.
52. The Chair thanked all participants for his re-election and set out his priorities for the common Presidency. This included efforts to ensure more staff resources for the Secretariat to assist the Committee in the 5th round of mutual evaluations, as well as the promotion of implementing the FATF recommendations fully in line with existing European fundamental rights standards.

Agenda item 18 - Registration and Oversight of Convertible Virtual Currency Businesses: Presentation by Mr Daniel Johnson, UK Crown Dependency of the Isle of Man

53. Mr Daniel Johnson, Senior Manager at the Isle of Man Financial Services Authority (FSA), provided a presentation on the supervision of convertible virtual currencies and the dealings thereof by the Isle of Man authorities. As of 2014, virtual currencies are increasingly recognised as an area of special demand, which bring about significant

ML/FT risks. In response to this, the Isle of Man authorities introduced a system through which all individuals and companies working in the area of virtual currencies are required to register, and were subsequently subject to monitoring. To this end, a legislative definition was introduced which is sufficiently broad to cover all types of virtual currencies and can adapt to new and developing technologies. The authorities initially anticipated a variety of crypto-exchanges, e-gaming and interaction with virtual currencies as main areas, but eventually the FSA covered a wider field including initial coin offerings, the convertible payment system, block-chain based certification and tools as well as domestic and foreign exchanges.

54. The FSA, after registration by a business operating in the field, undertakes a risk assessment on the business. Afterwards, the FSA undertakes ongoing supervision measures, through imposing legal requirements, on-site inspections, requesting the provision of records and mandatory notification in case of administrative changes, subject to a penalty. It appears that this supervision process partly improves the functioning of businesses in the field, but that particularly education and remediation account for long-lasting effective improvements. Mr Johnson hereafter provided two cases of supervision, which one business passed successfully, whereas the other business failed the requirements imposed by the FSA. He concluded that bringing all businesses operating in the field of virtual currencies under registration has been a very beneficial measure, through which law enforcement has become more efficient.

Agenda item 19 - Practical approach to the implementation of R.6: presentation by Mr Azar Abbasov, Azerbaijan

55. The Plenary heard a presentation by Mr Azar Abbasov (Azerbaijan) on practical approaches to the implementation of R.6. The purpose of the presentation was to guide countries in the implementation of the R.6 in a practical manner and share Azerbaijan's experience in this field. The presentation focused on three elements: designations, targeted financial sanctions and obliged entities and agencies. According to the FATF Recommendations, all natural and legal persons as well as state and public agencies shall apply targeted financial sanctions. Legislation must oblige persons, entities and agencies to apply targeted financial sanctions if there is designation. The presentation also stressed that the protection of human rights during the implementation of R.6 is highly important and gave an overview of how to solve problems that have arisen in practice.

Agenda item 20 – Report from the Gender Rapporteur

56. Ms Maja Cvetkovski (Slovenia), Gender Equality Rapporteur of MONEYVAL, informed the Plenary of a gender equality perspective with regard to financial flows from trafficking in human beings. Trafficking in human beings has been one of the most lucrative criminal activities in recent times. The large majority of victims are female, since the purpose of human trafficking has been mostly sexual trafficking and forced labour. Ms Cvetkovski provided the Plenary with several studies of international bodies and of the on-going projects on financial flows of trafficking in human beings. She stated MONEYVAL could contribute to the fight against human trafficking and help to end criminals' exploitation of both women and men (to that effect, see also the agenda item in the subject in the 54th meeting report).
57. The UN, ILO, OSCE and EU all have conducted research on the topic of trafficking in human beings. Particularly relevant, however, is research on the financial investigations, asset recovery and financial compensation of victims. The level of arrest, prosecution and conviction for human trafficking remains low, whereas financial investigations should be an integral part of a trafficking investigation. FIUs hereby play an important role to identify

illicit proceeds and money laundering. Governments should also take the necessary steps to seize and confiscate assets, as well as measures to compensate victims. This is often difficult, due to the cross-border dimension of cases with regard to victims, perpetrators and assets. In this respect, it was noted that the Egmont Group has initiated a human trafficking project which is related to the new FATF project on financial flows from trafficking launched at the FATF meeting in June, 2017. The Gender Equality Rapporteur encouraged MONEYVAL to seek a more proactive role in recovering assets in trafficking of human being cases in MONEYVAL jurisdictions.

58. Stressing the importance of the topic, the Chair reported to the Plenary about his participation on 25 October 2017 in a panel discussion on human trafficking titled “Ending Modern Slavery”. The event had been organised by the Embassy of Liechtenstein in cooperation the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) in Washington D.C.

Day 3: Thursday 7 December 2017

Agenda items 21 and 22 – Discussion on the draft 5th round Mutual Evaluation Report on Ukraine

59. The Chairman introduced the draft Mutual Evaluation Report (MER) on Ukraine. He thanked the delegations for submitting written comments on the MER which served as a basis for selecting the key issues that were discussed at the Working Group on Evaluations (WGE). The Secretariat introduced the evaluation team and provided an overview of the key findings and priority recommended actions. Professor Gilmore, who had presided over the WGE as one of its Co-Chairs, summarised the state of the discussions in the WGE. The Secretariat presented the discussion and decisions taken by the WGE on each key issue. An overview of the key issues which no longer needed to be discussed in the Plenary was also provided.
60. Key issue 1 – Immediate Outcome 1: A large majority of delegations supported the decision of the WGE to maintain the ‘substantial’ rating. In response to a query, the evaluation team pointed out that it is not expected to cascade risk-related deficiencies identified under several core issues (e.g. under 3.3 and 7.2) into core issue 1.2, which deals with the country’s efforts to address identified ML/FT risks through policies and activities at a national rather than institutional level. This had been clarified by the FATF on a number of occasions. Responding to another query, Ukraine explained that the methodology used to conduct the national risk assessment was developed internally with the assistance of the OSCE. Delegations approved the minor changes to the report agreed during the WGE.
61. Key issue 2 – Immediate Outcome 6: A large majority of delegations supported the decision of the WGE to maintain the ‘substantial’ rating. A suggestion made by one delegation to slightly amend the first recommended action under Immediate Outcome 6 was accepted by both the evaluation team and Ukraine. One of the scientific experts queried whether alternative recommendations should be proposed to the FIU other than increasing its staff as a means to increase operational effectiveness. The evaluation team, while acknowledging that an increase in resources did not always automatically enhance the output and outcomes of an agency, pointed out that, in the specific context of the Ukrainian FIU, an increase in salaries was urgently needed to stop the hemorrhaging of staff to other domestic agencies with much more competitive remuneration packages. Other slight changes to the report agreed during the WGE were approved by the Plenary.

62. Key issue 3 – Immediate Outcome 11: Ukraine presented arguments in support of a request for an upgrade from a ‘moderate’ to a ‘substantial’ rating. The evaluation team outlined those areas where improvements were needed in relation to Ukraine’s financing of proliferation framework, which indicated that the immediate outcome was only achieved to some extent. There was no consensus to change the rating.
63. Key issue 4 – Immediate Outcome 2: A discussion was held with input from the evaluation team and Ukraine on whether the deficiencies identified by the evaluation team supported a ‘moderate’ rating. In particular, Ukraine questioned whether sufficient weight had been given to the constructive and timely international cooperation provided outside of the formal channels. Some delegations pointed out that, despite the success in the area of informal cooperation, the shortcomings identified with respect to the mutual legal assistance framework were serious enough to maintain a ‘moderate’ rating.

Decision taken

64. The Plenary adopted the 5th round MER of Ukraine and its executive summary, including the amendments agreed upon during the discussion and subject to further editorial changes. According to Rules 21 and 23 of MONEYVAL’s 5th Round Rules of Procedure, Ukraine was placed in enhanced follow-up and requested to report back to the first Plenary in 2019. The report will be final and published after the quality and consistency review of the global AML/CFT network.

Agenda item 23 - “Identification of politically exposed persons (PEPs) through open-source data”: presentation by Ms Daria Kaleniuk (Executive Director of the Anti-Corruption Action Centre in Ukraine)

65. The representative of the Anti-Corruption Action Centre, an Ukrainian NGO, presented the initiative of a public register of politically exposed persons in Ukraine. Following the adoption of the Ukrainian AML/CFT law in 2014, the definition of national PEPs was included into the AML/CFT framework. The Anti-Corruption Action Centre developed a register to collect and publish information on national and international public figures which qualify as PEPs according to the Ukrainian law. Currently, the register contains over 11,250 dossiers of PEPs, as well as 15,250 profiles of close associates and family members of PEPs.
66. The register is based on open-sourced data, which are gathered from the Ukrainian Asset Declaration Disclosure System, declarations of beneficial ownerships, information from banks abroad and other publicly available information. This raw data is processed by software developers to publish it on the website. As the site is also available in English, this register is attractive for all financial institutions around the world. For them, it contains useful information, as a wide variety of aspects is covered to estimate the risk of PEPs. For example, the information of PEPs holding bank accounts abroad or holding beneficial ownership of companies, either in Ukraine or abroad, is included in the database.
67. The Plenary raised a number of questions concerning data protection and delisting of PEPs. With regard to the issue of privacy and data protection, the representative informed the Plenary that the NGO acts in conformity with Ukrainian data protection law as all data used is publicly available. The website also follows the FATF Recommendations by including all PEPs in the register, regardless of the moment when they are no longer entrusted with a prominent public function. However, a debate takes place on limiting coverage in the register to a term of three years after the end of the public function.

Agenda item 25 - Council of Europe Convention on Laundering, Search, Seizure and Confiscation of the Proceeds from Crime and on the Financing of Terrorism (CETS No. 198)

68. The Executive Secretary reported about the 9th Plenary of the Conference of the Parties to Convention CETS. 198, which had taken place in Strasbourg on 21-22 November 2018. Amongst other issues, the COP had discussed a proposal concerning a transversal thematic monitoring of the implementation of the Convention by all States Parties; adopted a document on the COP's involvement in the implementation of the Council of Europe Action Plan on Combating Transnational Organised Crime (2016 – 2020); adopted an interpretative guidance on various provisions of the Conventions; examined the follow-up reports of the Republic of Moldova and Poland; and held exchanges of views with representatives from the United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime (UNODC), the Committee of Experts on the Operation of European Conventions on Co-operation in Criminal Matters (PC-OC), the Committee of Experts on Terrorism (CODEXTER) and the Cybercrime Programme Office of the Council of Europe. It also re-elected Mr Branislav Bohacik (Slovak Republic) as Chair and Mr Jean-Sebastien Jamart (Belgium) as Vice-Chair for a term of two years. The 10th Plenary of the Conference of the Parties is scheduled for 30-31 October 2018 (dates to be confirmed).

Agenda item 26 – Special agenda item for MONEYVAL's 20th anniversary

69. To mark MONEYVAL's 20th anniversary as well as the departure of Professor Gilmore, who had held various functions in the Committee since its creation, the Secretariat asked a number of experts to the podium who had been closely involved with MONEYVAL during the past two decades. Those were notably: Mr Anton Bartolo (Malta, former Chair of MONEYVAL), Mr Vladimir Nechaev (Russian Federation, former Chair of MONEYVAL), Mr John Ringguth (United Kingdom, former Executive Secretary to MONEYVAL), Ms Eva Rossidou-Papakyriacou (Cyprus, former Chair of the Conference of Parties to CETS. 198) and Mr Boudewijn Verhelst (Belgium, scientific expert). In short interventions, each of them shared some memories of their time in MONEYVAL and with regard to Professor Gilmore, who joined them on the podium. The Chair also thanked Professor Gilmore for his longstanding service to MONEYVAL and handed over a present on behalf of MONEYVAL, and the Plenary gave him a standing ovation.

Agenda item 27 – Miscellaneous

70. MONEYVAL will hold its 56th Plenary from 2-6 July 2018 and its 57th Plenary from 3-7 December 2018. Both plenaries will be held for a full week (including the Working Group on Evaluations on the first day) and include each the discussion of two 5th round mutual evaluations reports. For more information, see the calendar of activities in Appendix II.

APPENDIX I

Agenda of the Plenary

Day 1: Tuesday 5 December 2017 / 1er jour: mardi 5 décembre 2017

Morning 9.30 a.m. / matin 9h30

1. **Opening of the Plenary Meeting at 9.30 a.m. / Ouverture de la réunion plénière à 9h30**
 - 1.1 **Statement by Mr Christos Giakoumopoulos, Director General, Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law / Allocution de M. Christos Giakoumopoulos, Directeur général, Direction générale Droits de l'Homme et Etat de droit**
2. **Adoption of the Agenda / Adoption de l'ordre du jour**
3. **Information from the Chairman / Informations communiquées par le Président**
 - 3.1 **Chairman's correspondence / Correspondance du Président**
 - 3.2 **Update on the Roundtables on Correspondent Banking / Révision des tables rondes sur la correspondance bancaire**
 - 3.3 **Other issues / Autres sujets**
4. **Information from the Secretariat / Informations communiquées par le Secrétariat**
 - 4.1 **MONEYVAL calendar of activities 2018 / Calendrier des activités en 2018**
 - 4.2 **Report from the Secretariat on the October FATF meeting / Rapport du Secrétariat sur la réunion d'octobre du GAFI**
 - 4.3 **Reports on Secretariat attendance in other fora / Rapports du Secrétariat sur sa participation aux réunions d'autres institutions**
 - 4.4 **Financing and staffing / Financement et questions de personnel**
 - 4.5 **Other issues / Autres sujets**
5. **Compliance Enhancing Procedures / Procédures de conformité renforcée**
 - 5.1 **Report from Croatia under step I of the Compliance Enhancing Procedures / Rapport de la Croatie au titre de l'étape (i) des Procédures de conformité renforcée**
 - 5.2 **Report from Poland under step I of the Compliance Enhancing Procedures / Rapport de la Pologne au titre de l'étape (i) des Procédures de conformité renforcée**
 - 5.3 **Report from the Slovak Republic under step I of the Compliance Enhancing Procedures / Rapport de la République slovaque au titre de l'étape (i) des Procédures de conformité renforcée**
6. **"Two years of the Working Group of Evaluations": discussion of experiences and proposals to enhance the group's working methods / "Deux années de Groupe de Travail sur les Evaluations" : discussion sur les expériences et propositions pour améliorer les méthodes de travail du groupe**
7. **"International AML/CFT standards and fundamental rights": presentation by the Secretariat**

of selected challenges and related case-law by international and domestic courts /
"Standards internationaux en matière de LAB/FT et droits fondamentaux" : présentation du
Secrétariat d'une sélection de défis et de la jurisprudence correspondante de tribunaux
internationaux et nationaux

8. **Information on AML/CFT initiatives in MONEYVAL States and territories (tour de table) /**
Informations sur les initiatives LAB/FT des Etats et territoires de MONEYVAL (tour de table)

Afternoon 2.30 p.m. / après-midi 14h30

9. **Information on AML/CFT initiatives in MONEYVAL States and territories (tour de table, continued) /**
Informations sur les initiatives LAB/FT des Etats et territoires de MONEYVAL (tour de table, suite)

10. **Information from the European Commission /** *Information de la Commission européenne*

11. **Information on AML/CFT initiatives in other fora /** *Informations sur les initiatives LAB/FT d'autres institutions*

11.1 **EBRD / BERD**

11.2 **Egmont Group / Groupe Egmont**

11.3 **Eurasian Group on Combating Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (EAG) /**
Groupe Eurasie sur le blanchiment d'argent et le financement du terrorisme (EAG)

11.4 **FATF / GAFI**

11.5 **GIFCS / GSCFI**

11.6 **IMF / FMI**

11.7 **UNODC / ONUDC**

11.8 **World Bank / Banque Mondiale**

Day 2: Wednesday 6 December / 2ème jour: mercredi 6 décembre

Morning 9.30 a.m. / matin 9h30

12. **Third-round follow-up: interim report by the Holy See /** *Suivi au titre du troisième cycle: rapport intermédiaire du Saint-Siège*

13. **Fourth round follow-up: application by Bulgaria to be removed from regular follow-up /**
Suivi au titre du quatrième cycle: demande de la Bulgarie de sortir de la procédure de suivi régulier

14. **Fifth round follow-up: first enhanced follow-up report by Hungary /** *Suivi au titre du cinquième cycle : premier rapport de suivi renforcé de la Hongrie*

Afternoon 2.30 p.m. / après-midi 14h30

15. **FATF Terrorist Financing Fact-Finding Initiative: follow-up procedure within MONEYVAL regarding countries for which significant gaps were identified by the FATF /** *Initiative de recherche du GAFI sur le financement du terrorisme: procédure de suivi au sein de MONEYVAL sur les pays pour lesquels le GAFI a identifié de sérieux manquements*

16. **Amendments to MONEYVAL's 5th round rules of procedure to align them with the FATF Universal Procedures /** *Modifications des Règles de procédure de MONEYVAL du 5ème cycle pour les aligner aux Procédures universelles du GAFI*

17. **Elections of the Bureau (Chair, two Vice-Chairs and one other Bureau member) / Elections du Bureau (Président, deux vice-présidents et un autre membre du Bureau)**
18. **Registration and Oversight of Convertible Virtual Currency Businesses: Presentation by Mr Daniel Johnson, UK Crown Dependency of the Isle of Man / Enregistrement et surveillance des entreprises de monnaie virtuelle convertible : présentation de M. Daniel Johnson, Dépendance de la couronne britannique de l'île de Man**
19. **Practical approach to the implementation of R.6 : presentation by Mr Azar Abbasov, Azerbaijan / Approche pratique de la mise en œuvre de la Recommandation 6: présentation de M. Azar Abbasov, Azerbaïdjan**
20. **Report from the Gender Rapporteur / Rapport du Rapporteur sur l'égalité des genres**

Day 3: Thursday 7 December / 3ème jour: jeudi 7 décembre

Morning 9.30 a.m. / matin 9h30

21. **Discussion on the draft 5th round Mutual Evaluation Report on Ukraine / Discussion du projet de rapport d'évaluation mutuelle du 5^e cycle de l'Ukraine**

Afternoon 2.30 p.m. / après-midi 14h30

22. **Continuation of the discussion on the draft 5th round Mutual Evaluation Report on Ukraine / Suite de la discussion du projet de rapport d'évaluation mutuelle du 5^e cycle de l'Ukraine**
23. **“Identification of politically exposed persons (PEPs) through open-source data” : presentation by Ms Daria Kaleniuk (Executive Director of the Anti-Corruption Action Centre in Ukraine / « Identification des personnes politiquement exposées (PEPs) au travers des données de source ouverte »**
24. **The new Council of Europe Methodology on National Risk Assessment: presentation by Mr Igor Nebyvaev and Ms Irina Talianu, Economic Crime Unit, Department of Action against Crime / Nouvelle méthodologie du Conseil de l'Europe sur l'évaluation nationale des risques: présentation par M. Igor Nebyvaev et Mme Irina Talianu, Unité de la criminalité économique, Département de l'action contre le crime**
25. **Council of Europe Convention on Laundering, Search, Seizure and Confiscation of the Proceeds from Crime and on the Financing of Terrorism (CETS No. 198) / Convention du Conseil de l'Europe relative au blanchiment, au dépistage, à la saisie et à la confiscation des produits du crime et au financement du terrorisme (STCE No. 198)**
26. **Special agenda item for MONEYVAL's 20th anniversary / Point de l'ordre du jour special 20ème anniversaire de MONEYVAL**
27. **Miscellaneous / Divers**

APPENDIX II
Calendar of activities

	2018	
16-17 January	Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina	<i>ICRG onsite visit</i>
18-23 February	FATF Plenary	<i>Paris</i>
March (tbc)	Country training Cyprus	
5-16 March	5th round onsite visit to the Czech Republic	
5-22 March	Joint FATF/MONEYVAL onsite visit to Israel	
13-14 March	Training UK Overseas Territory of Gibraltar	
March (tbc)	Face-to-face meeting Albania	
26-27 March (tbc)	Joint FATF/MONEYVAL workshop for judges and prosecutors	<i>Strasbourg</i>
23-27 April	5th round MONEYVAL evaluators training	<i>Cyprus</i>

7-19 May	5th round onsite visit to Lithuania	
June (tbc)	Face-to-face meeting Latvia	
17-22 June	FATF Plenary	<i>Paris</i>
2 July	Working Group on Evaluations	5th round MER: Albania, Latvia
3-6 July	PLEN 56	5th round follow-up: Armenia, Isle of Man
2-13 October	5th round onsite visit to the Republic of Moldova	
14-19 October	FATF Plenary	<i>Paris</i>
October (tbc)	Country training Slovak Republic	
30-31 October (tbc)	COP Plenary + Bureau	
November (tbc)	Country training	
5-16 November	5th round onsite visit to Malta	

3 December	Working Group on Evaluations	5th round MER: <i>Czech Republic, Lithuania</i>
4-7 December	PLEN 57	5th round follow-up: <i>Andorra, Hungary, Serbia, Slovenia</i>

APPENDIX III

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