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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

48th meeting

Open of the meeting: Tuesday 2 June 2026, 14:30

Close of the meeting: Thursday 4 June 2026, 16:00

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 48th meeting on 2-4 June 2026 in Strasbourg (France).

During this meeting, the Lanzarote Committee:

1. Adopted its agenda.

As regards monitoring the implementation of the Lanzarote Convention

2. Adopted the revised thematic compliance report on victim services and prevention (working document T-ES(2026)05_rev.) and agreed to publish it with the revised thematic compliance report on criminal substantive and procedural law (working document T-ES(2025)10_rev.) as a single report.
3. Agreed on a methodology for the future implementation report on “Screening of professionals, volunteers and other persons in contact with children” as presented by the Secretariat.
4. Agreed to hold a thematic hearing at the 49th plenary meeting on child sexual exploitation with a view to a future monitoring round on this theme.

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

5. As regards follow up to the [Final Declaration](#) of the informal conference of ministers (1 July 2025, Malta), agreed to form a working group to prepare a feasibility study on a possible protocol to the Lanzarote Convention to be considered at the 49th plenary meeting.
6. Welcoming the joint session with the Cybercrime Convention Committee on 2 June 2026 and the [joint statement](#) on AI-generated or altered child sexual exploitation or sexual abuse material adopted by the two committees, decided to continue exploring opportunities for dialogue and co-operation between the two committees.
7. As a follow-up to the compliance procedure on the implementation of recommendations made in the monitoring round on the protection of children against ICT-facilitated sexual offences, agreed to explore issues linked to reporting and jurisdiction rules in the Committee’s future capacity building work.
8. Instructed the Secretariat to prepare a draft opinion on approaches to the legal age for sexual activities for examination at one of the next plenary meetings.

9. Agreed to hold a thematic exchange on sexual abuse of boys at a future meeting.
10. Agreed to provide written comments, if any, on the draft guidelines on ethical media reporting on sexual violence against children by 19 June 2026, to feed into revision process to be carried out by the Secretariat, and to raise awareness among national stakeholders about the 18 November [Day for the protection of children against sexual exploitation and sexual abuse](#).

Procedural matters

11. Adopted this list of decisions.

Any other business

12. Agreed that the 51st plenary meeting would be held back-to-back with the joint Council of Europe and WeProtect Global Alliance conference.

Dates of the next plenary meetings

- 49th plenary meeting: 17-19 November 2026, Strasbourg, France
- 50th plenary meeting: 15-18 March 2027, Strasbourg, France
- 51st plenary meeting: 3-4 June 2027, Strasbourg, France (preceded by the joint COE/WPGA conference on 1-2 June 2027)
- 52nd plenary meeting: 16-18 November 2027, Strasbourg, France (TBC)