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COMMITTEE OF THE PARTIES TO THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE CONVENTION AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN ORGANS

(SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA COMMITTEE)

9TH PLENARY MEETING

Opening at 14:00 p.m.,

Closing around 17.30 p.m.,

DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA

20 October 2026 (afternoon)

21 October 2026 (afternoon)

Online

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DAY 1 : 20 October 2026
14:00 – 17:30

1. Opening of the meeting

The meeting will take place **from 14:00 to 17:30 CEST** on **Tuesday 20** October 2026 and on **Wednesday 21** October 2026.

The Chair will open the online meeting and welcome all participants, who will then introduce themselves and their respective delegations in a *tour de table*.

2. Adoption of the draft agenda

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The Committee of the Parties (CoP) will take note of the List of decisions of the last plenary meeting (9-10 June 2026).

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The CoP members will also adopt the draft agenda of the meeting.

3. Information by the Chair and the Secretariat

[Website](#)

The CoP is invited to take note of the information provided by its Chair, Ms Pavla BUREŠOVÁ, and the Secretariat, on both: a) activities undertaken since the last plenary meeting; b) the exceptional format of this plenary meeting.

Moreover, other recent developments of relevance to the work of the CoP will be also considered.

4. Accession of new countries

[Signatures and](#)
[ratifications](#)

The CoP is kindly invited to share any progress made on this topic and to take note of the information provided by the Secretariat.

5. Monitoring of the Santiago de Compostela Convention and future work**5.1 1st monitoring round report**

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The CoP is invited to take note that the report of the 1st monitoring round is available online in both official languages;

5.2 2nd monitoring round

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The CoP members are invited to take note that the questionnaire for the 2nd monitoring round has been sent to the States Parties on 18 June 2026 and that replies are expected by 10 December 2026;

5.3 Flash surveys

All CoP members will be requested to provide constructive comments on this item.

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1. First flash survey

All CoP members are invited to take note that the report of the first flash survey, adopted at the last plenary meeting, has been published on the website in both official languages;

All CoP members are invited to take note of the information provided by the Chair and the Bureau members on the follow-up to such flash survey, which will focus on the following topic: *compilation of national practices regarding reporting systems*. All delegations will be invited to take the floor, share their views and comment on the proposed initiative. The contribution of every member is particularly welcome.

2. Second flash survey

All CoP members are invited to take note of the information provided by the Chair and the Bureau members regarding an additional flash survey that may focus on the following topic: *"National experiences and lessons learned in implementing the Santiago de Compostela Convention"*.

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The concept note for this second flash survey will be presented by Bureau members and every delegation will be invited individually to take the floor and provide feedback on it. The active contribution of every CoP member is encouraged and expected.

5.4 Potential use of NETTA data for the implementation of the Convention

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CoP members are invited to take note of the latest information on this issue.

**DAY 2 : 20 October 2026
14:00 – 17:30**

5.5 Paper on the distinction between THO and THBOR

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All CoP members are invited to take note of the presentation of the draft document prepared by Mr Carlos LOPEZ-VERAZA PÉREZ on the distinction between the notions of trafficking in human beings for organ removal (THBOR) and trafficking in human organs (THO) from a criminal law perspective. Should any CoP member has any doubt regarding the document or any of the notions addressed therein, this meeting is good opportunity to discuss and clarify.

6. Exchange of information, experiences and good practices

6.1 The work of NETTA

The CoP is invited to take note of the latest activities of NETTA by Mr Jaime MARCO, Scientific Programme Manager, NETTA's Secretariats

6.2 Presentation of relevant activities by international governmental organisations and other observers

The CoP is invited to have an exchange of view and to take note of the information provided by:

- the Secretariat on the WHO Global Strategy for Donation and Transplantation following the contributions received by the Committee members;
- the Declaration of Istanbul Custodian Group (DICG) and EUROTRANSPLANT on their recent and planned activities relevant to the objectives of the Convention;
- any other observer or participant;

7. Activities to promote the Santiago de Compostela Convention

7.1 International Day against organ trafficking

All CoP members are invited to take note of the information provided by the Secretariat and the DICG on a joint online event.

The Committee selected **25 March** as the date for celebrating the International Day against Organ Trafficking (IDAOT). All CoP members are invited to share their ideas and suggestions for the 2027 edition of this Day. All the delegations will be requested to contribute to this discussion. The engagement of all CoP members is essential to ensuring that this Day is meaningfully celebrated at

national and international level.

The session will provide an opportunity for members to exchange views and engage in a brainstorming discussion on possible initiatives and activities for IDAOT 2027. The contributions of all members will be valuable in helping to develop an effective programme for the 2027 edition.

7.2 Plastinated body exhibitions

CoP members are invited to take note of the information provided by the Secretariat related to this topic. A decision by the CoP is needed for further continue with this work;

7.4 Events

All CoP members are invited to inform the Secretariat of possible events in 2026/2027 related to the topic of the Santiago de Compostela Convention and where the Committee of the Parties can be it may be introduced.

8. Format of the next meetings

CoP members are invited to take note of the information provided by the Secretariat related to this topic.

CoP members are invited to exchange views on the format and organisation of future plenary meetings, with a view to ensuring an efficient use of time and resources, while maximising opportunities for substantive discussion and exchange of views;

9. Any other business

The CoP members are invited to inform the Secretariat of any other issue they may wish to raise under this agenda item.

9.1 Written information:

The CoP members are invited to take note that the Position paper on websites promoting illicit transplant tourism is available on the website. Maximum diffusion is expected;

9.2 Other topics :

The CoP is also invited to take note of the topics that could not be addressed during this plenary meeting and which will be developed at a subsequent meeting:

- Presentation by States that have recently ratified or signed the Convention on the situation concerning trafficking in human organs in

- their respective jurisdictions;
- National platforms;
- Guidance note on reporting criteria principles;
- Potential common position paper on financial neutrality;
- Tissues and cells (additional protocol);
- Data collection;
- Gender issues and Gender Equality Rapporteur;
- Education & training about organ trafficking;
- Cooperation with/representation in other Committees and Bodies;
- Prosecution case in Germany

10. Dates of the next meetings

The CoP is invited to take note of the dates of the forthcoming plenary meeting.