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Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

Revised draft agenda

**of the Committee meeting to be held in Milan
on Thursday, 18 May 2017 from 9.15am to 12.30pm and from 2pm to
5pm and on Friday, 19 May 2017 from 9.30am to 12.30pm**

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Thursday 18 May 2017, 9.15am – 12.30pm: committee meeting

Welcoming address by Mr Michele Nicoletti, Chairperson of the Italian delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly

Video message from Mr Antonio Tajani, President of the European Parliament

1. Agenda

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Adoption of the revised draft agenda.

2. Minutes

[AS/Ega (2017) PV 03; AS/Ega/network (2017) PV01]

Approval of the draft minutes of the meeting of the committee held in Strasbourg from 24 to 27 April 2017 and of the meeting of the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence held in Strasbourg on 26 April 2017.

**This draft agenda, addressed to members of the Committee and their alternates,
is the convocation to the meeting**

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3. Women's empowerment in the economy

Rapporteur: Ms Elena Centemero, Italy, EPP/CD
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(a) Exchange of views with the participation of:

- Professor Stefano Paleari, University of Bergamo, President of Human Tecnopole, Milan;
- Ms Sandra Mori, Chairperson of Valore D association, Milan;

(b) Consideration of an information memorandum.

4. Putting an end to sexual violence and harassment of women in the public space

Rapporteur: Ms Françoise Hetto-Gaasch, Luxembourg, EPP/CD
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Consideration and approval of a draft report; adoption of a draft resolution.

5. Work programme

[AS/Ega/Inf (2017) 01rev03; AS/Ega (2017) 25; Doc. 14278]

(a) Appointment of rapporteur for opinion on "The protection and promotion of regional and minority languages in Europe" (Rapporteur of the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media: to be appointed);

(b) Compatibility of Sharia law with the European Convention on Human Rights: can States Parties to the Convention be signatories of the "Cairo Declaration"? (Rapporteur of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights: Antonio Gutiérrez, Spain, SOC): request by the Committee to the Bureau of the Assembly to be seized for an opinion;

(c) Communication from the Chairperson on the initiative #Inspiring Women and on the new Council of Europe gender equality strategy.

Lunch offered by the Italian delegation to PACE

Thursday 18 May 2017, 2 pm – 5 pm: Women in public space: seminar on *Women's empowerment in the economy*, jointly organised with the Italian Chamber of Deputies and the Region of Lombardia

Opening addresses

- Mr Fabrizio Sala, Vice-President of the Region of Lombardia;
- Ms Elena Centemero, Chairperson of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination.

2.30pm – 3.30pm

Session 1: The position of women in large companies

Moderator: Ms Paola Profeta, Associate Professor of Public Finance, Department of Policy Analysis and Public Management, Bocconi University, Milan (Italy)

Guest speakers:

- Ms Elisabeth Richard, manager at ENGIE, Paris (France) and in charge of gender equality;
- Ms Barbara Saba, Director General, Johnson & Johnson foundation, Milan (Italy).

Discussion

3.30pm Coffee break

3.45pm-4.45pm

Session 2: Female entrepreneurship: the rise of women-led startups

Moderator: Mr Michele Nicoletti, Chairperson of the Italian delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly

Guest speakers:

- Ms Marie Georges, Chairperson, Paris Pionnières, Paris (France);
- Ms Paola Del Zotto Ferrari, founder of the Accademia di Gagliato della NanoScience (Academy of Nanoscience of Gagliato) (Italy);
- Mr Paolo Penati, Chief Executive Officer of QVC Italy.

Discussion

4.45pm-5pm

Concluding remarks:

- Ms Brigitte Longuet, Chairperson of the Fédération des femmes administrateurs, Paris (France);
- Ms Elena Centemero, Chairperson of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination.

Social programme

Transfer by bus to Monza, departure at 5.30pm from Palazzo Lombardia

Press Conference

Visit of the Cathedral and museum ("Queen Theodelinda's treasure"), interpretation provided in French and English

Dinner at Villa Reale

Friday 19 May 2017, 9.30am – 12.30pm: committee meeting

6. Integration of refugees in times of critical pressure: learning from recent experience and examples of best practice

Rapporteur: Ms Elena Centemero, Italy, EPP/CD
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Consideration and approval of the Committee's opinion on the report by the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons.

7. Promoting the rights of persons belonging to national minorities

Rapporteur: Mr Viorel Riceard Badea, Romania, EPP/CD
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Communication by the Rapporteur and consideration of a questionnaire to be sent to national delegations.

8. Appointment of representatives

[Programme ; invitation]

- Invitation to Ms Béatrice Fresko-Rolfo (Monaco, EPP/CD) to participate as a speaker at the 7th World Congress on Family Law and Children's Rights, to be held on 4-7 June 2017 in Dublin (Ireland) (*subject to the availability of funds*);
- Invitation to Ms Elena Centemero (Italy, EPP/CD) to participate in the presentation of the White Paper on Equality of the Principality of Andorra, to be held on 21 June 2017 in Andorra (*subject to the availability of funds*).

9. World Forum for Democracy

[Concept paper]

Appointment of members to the Ad Hoc Committee of the Bureau of the Assembly to participate in the World Forum for Democracy which will take place from 8 to 10 November 2017 in Strasbourg, on the topic "Is Populism a problem?" (*at no cost for the Assembly*).

10. Free debate

10.30am

11. Joint hearing with the Parliamentary Network Women Free From Violence on *Combating violence against women in Italy*

With the participation of:

- Ms Lucia Annibali, Undersecretariat for Equal Opportunities, Italy;
- Ms Concetta Carrano and Ms Sara Menichetti, Lawyers, representing Ms E. Talpis in the case Talpis vs Italy, before the European Court of Human Rights;
- Ms Ilaria Marzi, Director of the Action and Measures for Autonomy and Social Inclusion Unit, Region of Lombardia.

12. Any other business

13. Next meetings

- Strasbourg, during the 3rd part-session 2017 of the Assembly (26-30 June 2017);
- Paris, 18 September 2017;
- Strasbourg, during the 4th part-session 2017 of the Assembly (9-13 October 2017);
- Paris, 7 December 2017.