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## EUROPEAN COMMISSION FOR DEMOCRACY THROUGH LAW (VENICE COMMISSION)

# 68<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE COUNCIL FOR DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS

15 June 2020 at 3.30 p.m.

### **DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA**

#### 1. Adoption of the agenda

The Council is invited to adopt its agenda as it appears in this document.

#### 2. Turkey – replacement of elected candidates and mayors

Following the request by the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe, the Council is invited to examine, with a view to approval, the draft opinion on the replacement of elected candidates and mayors (CDL(2020)010), drawn up on the basis of comments by Messrs Bußjäger, Carozza, Castella Andreu and Otty.

#### 3. Election dispute resolution

The Council is invited to examine the revised draft report on election dispute resolution (<u>CDL-EL(2020)004</u>; see <u>CDL-REF(2019)010</u>), with a view to its approval. The draft report should then be submitted to adoption by the Commission in October 2020.

#### 4. Use of digital technologies and elections: draft principles

The Venice Commission has decided to prepare a study on principles on the use of digital technologies and elections: draft principles (<u>CDL-EL(2020)002</u>). The Council is invited to hold a first examination of this document, with a view to its adoption at a session later in the year. This draft study has been drawn up on the basis of comments by Mr Barrett, Ms Kjerulf Thorgeirsdóttir, Mr Rubio Nuñez and Mr Vargas Valdez.

#### 5. Co-operation with OSCE/ODIHR

An exchange of views will take place with the representatives of the OSCE/ODIHR on the possibilities of future co-operation. The OSCE/ODIHR is invited to inform the Council on its current and future activities in the electoral field.

In particular:

Following the request of Mr Branimir Gvozdenovic, Vice President of the Parliament of Montenegro, a new joint opinion will be drafted by the Venice Commission and the OSCE/ODIHR on the draft Law on elections of members of the Parliament and councillors of Montenegro.

Following the request of Mr Dmytro Razumkov, Chairperson of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, a new joint opinion will be drafted on the draft law of Ukraine "On All-Ukrainian Referendum".

#### 6. Activities since the last meeting

Please see document <a href="https://creativecommons.org/lease-see">CDL-EL(2020)003</a>.

#### 7. Date of the next meeting

The Council is invited to fix the date of its next meeting for Wednesday, 7 October 2020 at 10.00 am.