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COMMITTEE ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (CAI)

11th Bureau Meeting

19 March 2025

10 am - 4 pm (CET)
Paris

MEETING REPORT

1. Opening of the meeting

1. The Chair of the Committee on Artificial Intelligence (CAI), Mr Mario HERNANDEZ RAMOS (Spain) opened the meeting, having welcomed its participants.
2. He mentioned recent changes in the Secretariat team - the departure of Ms Louise RIONDEL, former Co-Secretary to the CAI (who has joined the Secretariat of the Lanzarote Convention) and the arrival of the new Head of the Department of Digital Governance and Sport Mr Matthias KLOTH and the new Secretary to the CAI Ms Albina OVCEARENCO.
3. The Chair explained that the primary purpose of the meeting was to prepare the 13th Plenary meeting of the CAI (14 - 15 May 2025).

2. Adoption of the agenda

4. The agenda was adopted without amendments.

3. Information provided by the Chair, Secretariat, and Bureau members

5. The Chair informed the Bureau about his participation in various high-level events in both academic and political fields, notably the attendance of the AI Action Summit 2025 in Paris and multiple side events: the Council of Europe side event on African engagement in global AI governance (along with the Vice-Chair), the ICC side event devoted to the interoperability of AI standards and sandboxes and an Australian-led initiative on AI cooperation in Asia-Pacific region and bilateral meetings with Secretariat of the Council of Europe North-South Center, as well as representatives from Morocco, Tunisia, and Mauritania to discuss potential regional cooperation on AI governance.
6. The Chair also contributed to the Oxford University event on the AI Bill of Rights, reinforcing CAI's role in promoting rights-based frameworks in AI regulation discussions and wrote an article published in the Innovation News Network highlighting the Framework Convention (FC) and HUDERIA. The piece emphasised the importance of a human rights-centred, transparent, and interoperable approach to AI governance, showcasing HUDERIA as a key tool for technical cooperation and practical implementation of AI principles.
7. The Bureau took note of the information provided by the Chair. The Secretariat and Bureau members were also informed of major upcoming events related to AI and of their planned participation in them. The Secretariat informed the Bureau that a formal request had been received by the Council of Europe Secretary General from Ghana, expressing interest in becoming observer to the CAI. This request will be proceeded in accordance with the relevant provisions on observer status under Resolution [CM/Res\(2021\)3](#) on intergovernmental committees and subordinate bodies, their terms of reference and working methods.
8. The Secretariat further informed Bureau members that in addition to Canada and Japan which had signed the Framework Convention in Paris on 11 February 2025, preparations were underway for the signatures by a few more Member States of the Council of the Europe.

4. Information regarding the outcome of consultations regarding the future of the CAI and its new ToR

9. The Bureau took note of the information provided by the Secretariat on the process leading to a possible new Terms of Reference for the CAI, as of 1 January 2026.

5. Next steps in the elaboration of HUDERIA Model

10. The Bureau had an exchange regarding the procedure for adoption of HUDERIA Model, having decided to follow the arrangement agreed at the 12th CAI plenary meeting (26-28 November 2024) and 11th CAI Bureau meeting (19 March 2025): the Secretariat would launch a written procedure of HUDERIA Model ahead of the 13th Plenary meeting with parts proposed for finalisation being COBRA Resources E and F and the entirety of SEP Resources, with the deadline for submissions set at 21 April 2025 COB.
11. The Secretariat would be tasked with preparing a consolidated draft of these parts on the basis of the comments received by the Delegations ahead of the 13th CAI Plenary.

6. Presentation by the Secretariat regarding future HUDERIA-related activities (HUDERIA Academy and HUDERIA Platform)

12. Following the endorsement of HUDERIA Methodology by the Committee of Ministers in February 2025, the standard-setting and operationalisation of AI-governance initiatives led by the CAI or its potential successor will take shape of HUDERIA Process. It will include two key components: the HUDERIA Academy, focused on capacity building for and international and national stakeholders, and the HUDERIA Platform, designed to foster stakeholder dialogue and test the methodology's practical relevance.
13. The Bureau had an exchange regarding the presentation and underlined that HUDERIA shall remain a living, adaptable tool supporting the Council of Europe's AI governance goals.
14. The Bureau further took note that the Secretariat will propose to involve CAI members in the session of HUDERIA Academy, to be organised on 16-18 June in Strasbourg, as well as HUDERIA Platform (dialogue with stakeholders) to take place on 19th June, also in Strasbourg.

7. Proposed update of the CAI's website

15. Bureau members had an exchange regarding possible improvements to the CAI's website with a view to making it more dynamic and informative, specifically regarding numerous activities, in which the Committee, and more specifically the Chair and the Bureau members, have been involved throughout the year.

8. Any other business

16. Under this agenda item, the Secretariat informed the Bureau on EURODIG 2025 session, which will be hosted by the Council of Europe on 12-14 May in Strasbourg, just prior to the next CAI plenary on 14-15 May.