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*Commission Nationale Consultative  
des Droits de l'Homme*



**European Coordinating Group of National Institutions  
for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights**

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Paris and Berlin, September 28<sup>th</sup> 2004

Dear Madam, dear Sir,

We have the pleasure to invite you to participate at the

**Fifth European meeting  
of National Institutions for the promotion and protection of human rights**

which will take place in **Berlin, Germany**

after the Third roundtable of European national institutions for human rights  
and the Council of Europe,  
**on Friday November 26<sup>th</sup> and Saturday November 27<sup>th</sup>**

Please find enclosed the agenda of the meeting. The working languages will be French and English.

We are looking forward to seeing you in November.

With our best regards,

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**5<sup>th</sup> European Meeting of National Institutions  
for the promotion and protection of human rights**

**Friday 26 November**

**15h – 16h**

- Presentation of the activity report of the European coordinating group of NHRIs  
*French National Advisory Commission for Human Rights (CNCDH)*
- General debate

**16h-16h15**

Procedural matters:

- 1/ election of the four members of the European coordinating committee
- 2/ election, among those four, of the president of the European group
- 3/ appointment of the representative of the accreditation committee of the ICC
- 4/ formation of a drafting group for the resolutions of the 5<sup>th</sup> regional meeting of NHRIs

**16h15-16h30**

Coffee break

**16h30 -17h30**

Discussion on the relationship of the European NHRIs with the liaison office which was created within the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of Europe; and on the involvement of NHRIs with the human rights bodies of the Council of Europe

*Speakers: Mr. Alvaro Gil-Robles, Commissioner for Human Rights  
A member of the DG I or DG II section of the Council of Europe*

**17h30-18h30**

Exchange of views on the cooperation of NHRIs with the UN High Commission for Human Rights

*Speaker: Mr. Orest Nowosad, head of the National Institutions Unit of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights*

**20h**

Dinner in Restaurant “Käfer” on top of the Reichstag

## **Saturday 27 November**

### **9h-10h**

Exchange of views on the cooperation of NHRIs with the OSCE

*Speaker: Ambassador Christian Strohal, director of the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights of the OSCE (ODIHR)*

### **10h-12h**

Exchange of views on the cooperation of NHRIs with the future Human Rights agency within the European Union in Vienna

*Speakers : - Mr. Alain Brun, head of the C-3 Unit of the Directorate-General for Justice and Home Affairs of the European Commission*

*- Mrs. Beate Winkler, Director of the European Monitoring Centre on Racism and Xenophobia*

*Guest: Professor Olivier de Schutter, coordinator of the EU Network of Experts on Fundamental Rights*

### **12h-12h30**

Coffee break

### **12h30-13h**

- Adoption of the resolutions of the meeting
- Closing speech

### **15h-18h**

Optional visit to the memorial “Topography of Terror” and the Jewish Museum

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