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## **Conditions of detention of migrants and Alternatives to detention**

Committee of Experts on the Administrative Detention of Migrants  
(CJ-DAM)

and

CDDH Drafting Group on Migration  
and Human Rights  
(CDDH-MIG)

**PARALLEL AND JOINT MEETINGS**

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# Programme



15 – 17 February 2017

Filoxenia Conference Centre  
17 Thrakis Street, 1311 Nicosia  
Cyprus

## Wednesday, 15 February 2017

08:45            **Registration**

09:15 – 12:30    **Joint Session of CJ-DAM and CDDH-MIG (KYRENIA ROOM)**

*Vulnerable groups, alternatives to detention, and places of detention other than closed detention centres*

09:15            **Opening**

- Welcome by Ms Eliza Savvidou, Ombudsperson of Cyprus
- Opening Statement by Mr Philippe Boillat,  
Director General, Directorate General of Human Rights and Rule of Law, Council of Europe

09:35            **Setting the Scene: Introductory Remarks**

Mr Philippe Boillat, Director General, Directorate General of Human Rights and Rule of Law, Council of Europe

09:50            **Overview of the work of CJ-DAM and CDDH-MIG**

- Ms Maria Rossidi, Legal Advisor, General Secretariat for Transparency and Human Rights, Ministry of Justice in Greece, Member of CJ-DAM
- Mr Frank Schürmann, Government Agent of Switzerland before the European Court of Human Rights, Rapporteur of CDDH-MIG

*Discussion*

10:45            *Coffee break*

11:15            **Perspectives from Civil Society**

Mr Ben Lewis, Advocacy Coordinator, International Detention Coalition

11:35            *Discussion*

12:30 – 14:00    **Lunch** offered by the Cypriot authorities

**14:00 – 17:45**      **Separate meetings of CJ-DAM (ZENON ROOM)  
and CDDH-MIG (ELIA ROOM)**

15:30 – 16:00      *Coffee break*

**17:45**              **Close of 1<sup>st</sup> day**

**18:00**              **Reception** offered by the Cypriot authorities  
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## Thursday, 16 February 2017

**09:30 – 13:00**      **Separate meetings of CJ-DAM (ZENON ROOM)  
and CDDH-MIG (ELIA ROOM)**

11:00 – 11:30      *Coffee break*

**13:00 – 14:30**      **Lunch** offered by the Council of Europe

**14:30 – 18:00**      **Separate meetings of CJ-DAM (ZENON ROOM)  
and CDDH-MIG (ELIA ROOM)**

16:00 – 16:30      *Coffee break*

**18:00**              **Close of 2<sup>nd</sup> day**

## Friday, 17 February 2017

**09:00 – 13:00**      **Separate meetings of CJ-DAM (ZENON ROOM)  
and CDDH-MIG (ELIA ROOM)**

11:00 – 11:30      *Coffee break*

**13:00 – 14:30**      **Lunch** offered by the Council of Europe

**14:30 – 16:00**      **Separate meetings of CJ-DAM (ZENON ROOM)  
and CDDH-MIG (ELIA ROOM)**

16:00 – 16:30      *Coffee break*

**16:30 – 17:30**      **Concluding Joint Session (JEAN MONNET ROOM)**

- Final remarks by the Chair of CDDH-MIG, Mr Morten Ruud
- Final remarks by the Chair of CJ-DAM, Mr João Arsénio de Oliveira

- Exchange of views
- Closing remarks by Cypriot hosts (to be confirmed)

**Close of 3<sup>rd</sup> day**