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EUROPEAN COMMISSION FOR DEMOCRACY THROUGH LAW
(VENICE COMMISSION)

**MEETING OF THE SUB-COMMISSION
ON DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS**

(Venice, Scuola Grande di San Giovanni Evangelista)

**Thursday, 8 October 2009
from 2.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.**

DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA

1. Adoption of the Agenda
2. Report on constitutional provisions on amending the Constitution

This draft report ([CDL-DEM\(2009\)008](#)) follows up to previous discussions within the sub-commission ([CDL-DEM\(2009\)007](#); [CDL-DEM\(2009\)004](#); [CDL-DEM\(2009\)005](#)).

The Sub Commission is invited to discuss the draft report and decide how to further proceed with a view to finalising it.

3. Report on the notion of good governance

The draft report on the notions of good governance and good administration ([CDL\(2009\)108](#)) follows up to previous discussions ([see CDL\(2008\)091](#); [CDL\(2009\)052](#)).

The Sub Commission is invited to discuss the draft report and its conclusions with a view to submitting it to the Plenary Session on Saturday 10 October.

4. Report on the rule of law

In its Recommendation [1594](#) the Parliamentary Assembly invited the Venice Commission to undertake a study on the notion of the rule of law / *prééminence du droit*. Further to the discussion which took place at the previous sub-commission meeting on the basis of the paper by Professor Martin Loughlin on “The Rule of Law in European Jurisprudence” ([CDL-DEM\(2009\)006](#)), the sub-commission is now invited to examine and approve the preliminary draft outline of the report to be prepared ([CDL-JD\(2009\)004](#)).

5. Other business