

"Amplifying the Voice for Rights in Europe: How to Strengthen the Work of the CoE Commissioner for Human Rights?"

Online Workshop

7 February 2025, 10am-12pm CET

In **November 2024**, the Office of the Council of Europe's Commissioner for Human Rights marked its **25th anniversary**. To coincide with this, an [evaluation](#) was released by the Directorate of Internal Oversight (DIO), as well as the [Management Response and Action Plan](#) from the Commissioner's Office.

Now [CURE – Campaign to Uphold Rights in Europe](#) invites you to join an event for and with civil society looking back on and discussing the future of the Commissioner's mandate. This will be a chance to hear from and discuss the above-mentioned documents with representatives of both CoE organs and other voices from former staff members of the office and civil society.

The **Council of Europe** [Resolution \(99\)50](#) mandates the Commissioner for Human Rights to:

- foster the effective observance of human rights, and assist member states in the implementation of Council of Europe human rights standards;
- promote education in and awareness of human rights in Council of Europe member states;
- identify possible shortcomings in the law and practice concerning human rights;
- facilitate the activities of national ombudsperson institutions and other HR structures; and
- provide advice and information regarding the protection of human rights across the region.

With the mandate largely focused on country and thematic work, and awareness raising whilst in communication with both national authorities and civil society, the organisers of this event have taken the opportunity to examine the evaluation and look to the future. A short pamphlet with initial consideration of the evaluation and the management response will be available prior to the event.

Inputs to the discussion will be given by the Directorate of Internal Oversight and the Commissioner's Office. The participants are encouraged to actively participate in general discussions and breakout room sessions.

Join us on the **7 February 2025, 10am-12pm**. Registration is open until **5 February 2025** [here](#). Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at info@cure-campaign.org.

CURE – Campaign to Uphold Rights in Europe is an initiative of leading civil society organisations from across the European continent, which was launched on 26 January 2022 in Strasbourg. We share a firm belief in the founding idea of the Council of Europe and the value therein: the Council as a guardian and promoter of a pan-European legal framework in human rights, democracy and rule of law, and as a pioneer in developing international norms and standards. Therefore, the overall goal of CURE is to make the Council of Europe strong and effective in fulfilling its abovementioned statutory role.

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