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**Meeting to review developments in the field of e-voting since the adoption of
Recommendation Rec(2004)11 of the Committee of Ministers to member states
on legal, operational and technical standards for e-voting**

**Municipal Congress Centre of the City of Madrid
16 October 2008**

**Meeting organised in the framework of the 2008 session of the Council of Europe's
Forum for the Future of Democracy on the theme of e-democracy, 15-17 October**

9.30 am to 5.30 pm

Draft Programme

9.30 am

Opening session

Introduction of participants

Background and objectives of the meeting – Introductory statement by the Secretariat

First Session: Progress reports from Council of Europe member states

Mr. Paul Docker, Ministry of Justice, United Kingdom: *“E-voting- the UK perspective”*

Mrs. Ardita Driza Maurer, Federal Chancellery, Switzerland: *“Evolution of e-voting in Switzerland between 2006-2008 and outlook”*.

Mr. Danilo Rota, Canton of Neuchatel, Switzerland *“E-government and electronic voting”*

Mr. Prof. Alexander Trechsel, European University Institute, Florence, Italy: *“An analysis of the e-enabled elections in Estonia in 2005 and 2007”*

Mr. Robert Krimmer, E-voting cc, Austria: *“e-voting in Austria, current developments and outlook”*

Progress reports from other Council of Europe member states

Coffee break

Second Session: Activities and projects by International Organisations and other stakeholders

Ms Melanie Volkamer, University of Passau: *“The Common Criteria Protection Profile "Basic set of security requirements for Online Voting Products"”*

Discussion

1- 3 pm

Lunch break

3 pm

Second Session continued

Mats Lindberg, ODIHR: *“Meaningful Observation of Electronic Voting Processes”*

Mr. Jordi Barrat i Esteve, Universidad de Alacant: “*Certification of e-voting systems: what about transparency*”

Mr John Borrás, UK, OASIS: “*Election Markup Language (EML) Progress Report*”

Ms Gabriele Kucsko-Stadlmayer, Venice Commission: “*The work of the Venice Commission in the field of e-democracy, in particular e-voting*”.

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Concluding session: Looking ahead - Future prospects and challenges, and the role of the Council of Europe

General Discussion

5:30 pm

End of meeting