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**German questions and recommendations to  
Liechtenstein**

Thank you, Mister President,

Germany would like to thank the Principality of Liechtenstein for its informative National Report and commends the Principality for having implemented a large number of recommendations of the first UPR-cycle.

We especially commend the efforts made by the Principality to achieve de facto equality between the genders and encourage the Principality to pursue this goal further especially through measures to raise awareness of stereotypical roles and to dissolve them.

Germany would like to ask the following questions:

1. Concerning the effective protection and promotion of human rights, Germany noted that the Principality has decided to create an independent body in accordance with the Paris Principles.

**Germany would like to know when the Principality expects the independent body to be ready to take up its work and how the Principality is planning to ensure that the body is handed a mandate that enables it to monitor the human rights situation effectively and that it is equipped with sufficient financial and human resources to carry out its mandate effectively.**

2. Concerning the Principality's announcement of an overarching administrative reform to streamline the structures of her administration, Germany noted that the Principality is planning to integrate parts of the Office of Equal Opportunity (OEO) into the newly created Office of Social Affairs and Society.

**Germany would like to know how the Principality intends to safeguard the independence of the OEO and its accessibility for individuals in the course of the reform.**

3. Concerning the Principality's ratification of international conventions, Germany noted that the Principality is planning to ratify the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and its Optional Protocol and the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography.

**Germany would like to know how far the process of ratification has already advanced and within what timeframe the Principality intends to ratify the aforementioned conventions and protocols.**

I thank you Mister President.