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The identity of the perpetrators must be established by a fair and transparent investigation into the matter, which should be made by the Ukrainian authorities. Those responsible should be brought to justice. The International Advisory Panel of the Council of Europe, inaugurated on 9 April, will advise to the effect that all procedures are conducted in line with international standards.

After Ukraine has registered its recognition of the ICC jurisdiction for the events in the period ranging from November 2013 to February 2014, it is up to the Prosecutor of the ICC to assess whether there is enough evidence to open an investigation. We encourage Ukraine to ratify the ICC Statute and to ensure that the necessary constitutional provisions, in the framework of the comprehensive constitutional reform, are adopted to make it possible.