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Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

Revised draft agenda for the meeting to be held in Vienna on 4 and 5 March 2014

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Date and time	Venue	Meeting/event	Languages
4 March 2014 from 9.30 am to 12 pm	European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) Schwarzenbergplatz 11, A-1040 Vienna	Study visit and exchange of views	English, French
4 March 2014 from 2.00 to 6.00 pm	House of Parliament, Dr Karl Renner-Ring 3, A-1017 Vienna	Meeting of the Committee on Equality and Non- Discrimination and the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence	English, French, German, Italian, Russian
5 March 2014 from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm and from 2.30 to 5.00 pm	House of Parliament, Dr Karl Renner-Ring 3, A-1017 Vienna	Meeting of the Committee on Equality and Non- Discrimination	English, French, German, Italian, Russian
5 March 2014 from 5.00 pm	House of Parliament, Dr Karl Renner-Ring 3, A-1017 Vienna	Meeting of the sub- committee on gender equality (election of the Bureau)	English, French, German, Italian, Russian
5 March 2014 from 5.15 pm	House of Parliament, Dr Karl Renner-Ring 3, A-1017 Vienna	Meeting of the sub- committee on the rights of minorities (election of the Bureau)	English, French, German, Italian, Russian

**This draft agenda, addressed to members of the Committee and their alternates,
is the convocation to the meeting**

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Tuesday 4 March 2014, from 9.30 am to 12 pm

Venue: European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA)

- 9.30 am Arrival and registration of participants
- 10-11 am Welcome address, cooperation between FRA, the Council of Europe and national parliaments (presentations and exchange of views with Mr Morten Kjaerum, Director, Mr Ioannis Dimitrakopoulos, Head of Department Equality and Citizens' Rights, and Mr Mario Oetheimer, Freedoms and Justice Department)
- 11-11.15 am Coffee break
- 11.15 am FRA activities and methodology in the area of equality and non-discrimination (presentations and debate)
- 12-1 pm *Buffet lunch hosted by the FRA*

Tuesday 4 March 2014, from 2.00 to 6.00 pm

Venue: House of Parliament

- 2.00 pm Arrival and registration of participants
- 2.30 pm Beginning of the meeting

Video-message by Ms Barbara Prammer, Speaker of the Austrian National Council

1. Agenda

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Adoption of the revised draft agenda.

2. Minutes

[AS/Ega (2014) PV01]

Approval of the draft minutes of the meeting held in Strasbourg on 27 – 30 January 2014.

3. Second Vice-Chairperson of the Committee (on behalf of the Socialist group)

Election.

4. Prostitution, trafficking and modern slavery in Europe

Rapporteur: Mr José Mendes Bota, Portugal, EPP/CD

[AS/Ega (2014) 09]

Approval of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution.

5. Discrimination against transgender people in Europe

Rapporteur: Ms Deborah Schembri, Malta, SOC

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Consideration of an outline for a report.

6. Evaluating the implementation of the reform of the Assembly

[Letter]

Exchange of views.

7. Assembly's institutional representation

Appointment of a representative to the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI).

Coffee break

8. Joint meeting with the Parliamentary Network *Women Free from Violence*

- Hearing on *Focusing on the victims' needs*, with the participation of Ms Luisella Pavan-Woolfe, Ambassador, Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the Council of Europe and Ms Ursula Till-Tentschert, Programme Manager at the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA);
- Exchange of views with Ms Gabriele Heinisch-Hosek, Federal Minister for Education and Women, Austria.

6.00 pm End of the first day of the meeting

7.30 pm: *Guided tour to the Sisi Museum, followed by a reception hosted by the Austrian authorities*

Wednesday 5 March 2014, from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm and from 2.30 to 5.00 pm

Lunch for parliamentarians hosted by the Austrian authorities

9. Equality and non-discrimination: focus on Austria

Exchange of views with Ms Ingrid Nikolay-Leitner, Ombudsperson for Equal Treatment

10. The situation and rights of traditional national minorities in Europe

Rapporteur: Mr Ferenc Kalmár, Hungary, EPP/CD
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Approval of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution and a draft recommendation.

11. Improving co-operation between National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) and Parliaments in addressing Equality and Non-Discrimination Issues

Rapporteur: Ms Katherine Zappone, Ireland, UEL
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Approval of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution.

12. Equality and inclusion for people with disabilities [at 11.30 am]

Rapporteur: Ms Carmen Quintanilla Barba, Spain, EPP/CD
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- Exchange of views with Ms Helene Jarmer, member of the Austrian National Council;
- Consideration of an outline for a report.

13. The rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people (LGBTs)

General rapporteur: Mr Robert Biedroń, Poland, SOC
[AS/Ega/Inf (2014) 09]

Statement by the General rapporteur following his visit to Lithuania (27-28 February 2014).

14. Tackling intolerance and discrimination in Europe with a special focus on Christianity [at 2.30 pm]

Rapporteur: Mr Valeriu Ghiletschi, Republic of Moldova, EPP/CD
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- Hearing with the participation of Ms Gudrun Kugler, Observatory on Intolerance and Discrimination against Christians and Professor Stefan Hammer, Department of Legal Philosophy, Law of Religion and Culture, Law Faculty, University of Vienna;
- Consideration of an introductory memorandum.

15. Racism and intolerance

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- Approval of a Committee declaration to mark the International Day against Racial Discrimination;
- Follow-up to Assembly Recommendation 2032 (2014) and Resolution 1967 (2014) on A strategy to prevent racism and intolerance in Europe and to Resolution 1968 (2014) on Tackling racism in the police;
- Appointment of a General rapporteur on combating racism and intolerance (*subject to the approval of the terms of reference by the Bureau and the Assembly*).

16. National developments

Free debate.

17. Composition of sub-committees

[Lists]

- Approval of the composition of the sub-committee on disability and inclusion;
- Approval of possible changes to the composition of the sub-committees on gender equality and the rights of minorities.

18. References and work programme

[AS/Ega/Inf (2014) 01; AS/Ega/Inf (2014) 08; Doc 13333]

Consideration of a motion for a resolution on The protection of the rights of parents and children belonging to religious minorities, tabled by Mr Ghiletchi and other members of the Assembly (referred to the committee for consultation on the follow-up to be given).

19. Appointment of representatives

20. Other business

21. Next meetings of the Committee

- Strasbourg, during the 2nd Part-Session 2014 of the Assembly (7-11 April);
- Paris, 2 June 2014;
- Strasbourg, during the 3rd Part-Session 2014 of the Assembly (23-27 June);
- Paris, 8 September 2014;
- Strasbourg, during the 4th Part-Session 2014 of the Assembly (29 September-3 October);
- Paris, 2 and 3 December 2014 (on 2 December 2014, joint meeting with the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development).

Wednesday 5 March 2014, from 5 to 5.30 pm: sub-committees