Addendum to the Communication by the Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly at the 1203rd meeting of the Ministers’ Deputies (18 June 2014)

LIST OF SIDE EVENTS

THIRD PART-SESSION OF 2014 (23-27 JUNE 2014)

NB. This list includes non-plenary events organised or held under the auspices of Assembly committees or involving the Assembly’s President or rapporteurs or other members. It is not necessarily exhaustive, and may be subject to last-minute changes.
### Monday 23 June 2014

**1 pm**
Lobby of the Chamber

**Signature ceremony** for the granting of the status of Partner for democracy to the Kyrgyz Parliament, with:
- PACE President Anne Brasseur
- Speaker of Kyrgyz Parliament Asilbek Jeenbekov

**2–3 pm**
Room 9, Palais
Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy

**Hearing on Anti-semitism**
in the context of the preparation of the report by Marietta de Pourbaix-Lundin (Sweden, EPP/CD) on this issue, with the participation of:
- Gideon Botsch, Moses Mendelssohn Centre for European Jewish Studies, University of Potsdam (Germany)

**2–3 pm**
Room 8, Palais
Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

**Hearing on “Equality and the crisis”**
in the context of the preparation of the report by Nikolaj Villumsen (Denmark, UEL), with the participation of:
- Alejandro Cercas, MEP, rapporteur on the Role and operations of the Troika with regard to the euro area programme countries – Employment and social aspects of the role and operations of the Troika
- Nils Mužnieks, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights

### Tuesday 24 June 2014

**8.30–10 am**
Room 11, Palais
Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development

**Hearing on “Social rights and social dialogue in times of crisis”**
in the context of the preparation of reports by Maria de Belém Roseira (Portugal, SOC) “Towards a new European Social Model: which social vision for Europe of tomorrow?” and Andrej Hunko (Germany, UEL) on the “Protection of the right to bargain collectively” with the participation of:
- Veronica Nilsson, Confederal Secretary, European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC)
- a senior member of the Employers’ Group of the European Economic and Social Committee (to be confirmed)
- Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe

**8.30–10 am**
Room 7, Palais
Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media

**Exchange of views on the “Protection of media freedom in Europe”**
in the context of the preparation of the report by Gvozden Srećko Flego (Croatia, SOC) with the participation of:
- William Horsley, Association of European Journalists
- Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe

**8.30–10 am**
Room 8, Palais
Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons

**Exchange of views on “The situation of IDPs and refugees in Ukraine”** with a representative of UNHCR, preceded by a statement by Jim Sheridan (United Kingdom, SOC)

**8.30–10 am**
Room 10, Palais
Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

**Celebrating the entry into force of the Istanbul Convention**, with statements by
- José Mendes Bota (Portugal, EPP/CD), General Rapporteur on violence against women and Political Co-ordinator of the Network
- Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe

**9–10 am**
Room 1, Palais
Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy

**Exchange of views on “The aftermath of elections to the European Parliament”**
with Michel Rocard, former French Prime Minister, Deputy and Senator, former member of the European Parliament, in the presence of PACE President Anne Brasseur
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<td>Room 7, Palais</td>
<td>Sub-Committee on Public Health, Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development</td>
<td>Exchange of views on the conclusions of the Pompidou Group’s mission of experts to Ukraine in order to assess the situation concerning Opiate substitution treatment with Catherine Ritter, independent expert in public health and addictions</td>
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| 2–3.30 pm | Room 1, Palais | Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights                        | Hearing on “Improving the protection of whistleblowers”, in the context of the preparation of the report by Pieter Omtzigt (Netherlands, EPP/CD) on the subject, with the participation of:  
- Edward Snowden, by video-link (to be confirmed)  
- Anna Myers, expert on whistleblower protection, Whistleblower Information Network (WIN), London |
| 2–3.30 pm | Room 8, Palais | Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination                             | Hearing on “Violence against women with disabilities” in the framework of the meeting of the Parliamentary Network “Women Free from Violence” with the participation of:  
- Gill Hague, Emeritus Professor of Violence Against Women Studies, Centre for Gender and Violence Research, School for Policy Studies, University of Bristol (United Kingdom)  
- Ana Peláez Narváez, member of the UN Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Director of International Relations at the Spanish National Organisation of the Blind (ONCE) – by videoconference |
| 2–3.30 pm | Room 9, Palais | Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy                      | Exchange of views with Asilbek Jeenbekov, Speaker of the Kyrgyz Parliament (to be confirmed), following the granting, on 8 April 2014, of the status of Partner for Democracy to the Kyrgyz Parliament – Follow-up to PACE Resolution 1984 (2014) |
| Wednesday 25 June 2014 | 12.30 pm | Chamber                                                      | Commemoration ceremony of the 100th anniversary of the First World War, with speeches by:  
- Anne Brasseur, President of PACE  
- Thorbjørn Jagland, Secretary General of the Council of Europe  
- representatives of the political groups |
| 2–3.30 pm | Room 11, Palais | Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development | **Exchange of views on “Youth participation: a means of preventing sexual exploitation”,** in the framework of the 19th meeting of the PACE Network of Contact Parliamentarians to stop sexual violence against children with the participation of:  
- Eugenia Maxim, youth representative for Eastern Europe and CIS region in ECPAT International Child and Youth Advisory Committee (Republic of Moldova)  
- Roma Thomas, Research fellow, International Centre: Researching Child Sexual Exploitation, Violence and Trafficking, University of Bedfordshire (United Kingdom)  
**Update on the Council of Europe ONE in FIVE Campaign** by Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe |
| 2–2.45 pm | Room 10, Palais | Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights                        | **Exchange of views on “The long-term future of the ECHR system”** in the context of the preparation of the report by Yves Pozzo di Borgo (France, EPP/CD) entitled “The effectiveness of the European Convention on Human Rights: the Brighton declaration and beyond” with the participation of:  
- Vit Schorm, Chairperson of the Steering Committee for Human Rights (CDDH), Government Agent to the European Court of Human Rights in respect of the Czech Republic  
- Morten Ruud, Chairperson of Committee of Experts on the Reform of the Court (DH-GDR), Senior Advisor to the Norwegian Ministry of Justice |
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| 2.45 pm - 3.30 pm | Room 10, Palais | Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights  
► Exchange of views with Yuriy Lutsenko, former Minister of Interior of Ukraine  
in the context of the preparation of the report by Marieluise Beck (Germany, ALDE) on “Threats to the Rule of Law in Council of Europe member states: asserting the Parliamentary Assembly’s authority” |

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| 2 – 3.30 pm   | Room 7, Palais | Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media  
Exchange of views on “Promoting city diplomacy in the field of culture”, in the context of the preparation of the report by Alexander, The Earl of Dundee (United Kingdom, EDG)  
with the participation of:  
- Philip Wood, expert in local community development and cultural relations (United Kingdom) |

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| 8.30 – 10 am  | Room 7, Palais | Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development  
► Exchange of views on “Shale gas by fracking: friend or foe in tackling climate change?”  
with the participation of:  
- Christian Bataille, French parliamentary co-rapporteur on “Alternative techniques to hydraulic fracking for the exploration and exploitation of shale gas”  
- A representative of the German Federal Environment Agency (Umweltbundesamt)  
► Exchange of views on “Ensuring children with attention problems are properly cared for”  
in the context of the preparation of the report by Sílvia Eloïsa Bonet Perot (Andorra, SOC) on this matter  
with the participation of:  
- Celso Arango López, Head of the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Service, Gregorio Marañón Hospital (Madrid) |

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| 9 – 10 am     | Room 8, Palais | Joint meeting of the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media, and of the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs  
Hearing on “Reporting on corruption: journalists and parliamentarians investigating together”  
with the participation of:  
- Claudio Fava, journalist, member of the Italian Chamber of Deputies, Vice-President of the Commission of inquiry into the phenomenon of the Mafia and other criminal organisations  
- Tamás Bodoky, journalist, member of the Organised crime and corruption reporting project  
- Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe |

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| 2 – 3.30 pm   | Room 8, Palais | Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons  
Hearing on “Mass arrivals of irregular migrants on Europe’s southern shores”  
with the participation of:  
- Giorgos Kosmopoulos, representative of Amnesty International  
- Nils Mužnieks, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights  
- a representative of the European Commission (to be confirmed)  
- a representative of the Greek authorities (to be confirmed) |

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| 2 – 3.30 pm   | Room 6, Palais | Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination  
Hearing on “Discrimination against transgender people in Europe”  
in the context of the preparation of the report by Deborah Schembri (Malta, SOC) on this matter with the participation of:  
- Anna Grodzka, member of the Polish Parliament |

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| 3.30 – 4.30 pm| Room 5, Palais | Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize  
Official presentation ceremony of the European Diplomas, to the 15 mayors of the winning cities, in the presence of:  
- Axel Fischer (Germany, EPP/CD), Chairperson of the PACE Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize |