

Information documents

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Communication by the Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly at the 1326th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies¹ (3 October 2018)

¹ This document covers past activities of the Assembly since the meeting of the Bureau on 29 June 2018 (Strasbourg) and the future activities up to the meeting of the Bureau on 8 October 2018 (Strasbourg).

I. Decisions taken by the Bureau on 3 September 2018

A. Fourth part-session of 2018 (8 to 12 October 2018)

On 3 September 2018, the Bureau drew up the draft agenda (Appendix 1).

The award ceremony of the 2018 Václav Havel Human Rights Prize will be held on Monday 8 October 2018 at 12.30 pm.

The Assembly has received the lists of candidates for the posts of judge to the European Court of Human Rights with respect to Albania, Norway and Turkey. The elections will take place on Tuesday 9 October 2018.

A meeting of the Joint Committee will be held on Monday 8 October 2018 from 3 pm to 4 pm (room 5).

A list of events to be held during this part-session is appended to this document (Appendix 2).

B. Observation of elections

At its meeting on 3 September 2018, the Bureau took the following decisions:

- **Turkey: early presidential and parliamentary elections (24 June 2018):** the Bureau approved the report of the election observation mission;
- **“The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia”: referendum (30 September 2018) following the Final Agreement² signed by Greece and “the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia” on 17 June 2018:** the Bureau took note of the invitation to observe this referendum, decided to accept it, to constitute an ad hoc committee for this purpose composed of one member of each political group as well as the two Co-rapporteurs of the Monitoring Committee, to authorise the President of the Assembly to approve the list of members of the ad hoc committee and to appoint its Chairperson on behalf of the Bureau. On 14 September, the President approved the list of members and appointed Mr Stefan Schennach (Austria, SOC) as Chairperson of the ad hoc committee;
- **Bosnia and Herzegovina: general elections (7 October 2018):** the Bureau approved the list of members of the ad hoc committee to observe these elections (Appendix 3);
- **Georgia: presidential election (28 October 2018):** the Bureau approved the list of members of the ad hoc committee to observe this election (Appendix 4);
- **Republic of Moldova: parliamentary elections (24 February 2019):** the Bureau decided to observe these elections and to constitute an ad hoc committee for this purpose composed of 30 members (EPP/CD-10; SOC-9; EC-4; ALDE-4; UEL-2; FDG-1) as well as the two Co-rapporteurs of the Monitoring Committee and agreed to organise a pre-electoral mission.

C. Other decisions taken by the Bureau at its meeting on 3 September 2018

- **Election of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe (June 2019):** the Bureau confirmed 25-26 June 2019 as the date of the election and approved the Assembly’s election calendar.
- **Meetings of the Standing Committee and the Bureau in 2019:** the Bureau approved the proposals contained in the document (Appendix 5);

² “Final Agreement for the Settlement of the Differences as described in the United Nations Security Council Resolutions 817 (1993) and 845 (1993), the Termination of the Interim Accord of 1995 and the Establishment of a Strategic Partnership between the Parties” signed by Greece and “the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia” on 17 June 2018.

➤ **Václav Havel Human Rights Prize:** the Bureau took note of the shortlist made by the Selection Panel at its meeting in Prague on 27-28 August 2018, consisting of (in alphabetical order):

- . Ms Rosa María Payá (Cuba)
- . Mr Nabeel Rajab (Bahrain)
- . Mr Oyub Titiev (Russian Federation)

The name of the Prize Winner will be announced in the Chamber on Monday 8 October 2018 at 12.30 pm.

II. **Activities of Committees and Networks**

➤ On 10 September 2018 in Paris, the **Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights** held:

. a hearing on *Withdrawing citizenship as a measure to combat terrorism: a human rights-compatible approach* in the context of a report prepared by Ms Tineke Strik (Netherlands, SOC) with the participation of Professor Gerard René de Groot, Faculty of Law, University of Maastricht, Netherlands and Dr. Sandra Krähenmann, Research Fellow, Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, Switzerland;

. a hearing on *The continuing need to restore human rights and the rule of law in the North Caucasus region* in the context of a report prepared by Mr Frank Schwabe (Germany, SOC), with the participation of Mr Grigory Shvedov, editor-in-chief, *Caucasian Knot*, Moscow, Russian Federation and Ms Ekaterina Sokirianskaia, Founder and Director of the Conflict Analysis and Prevention Centre, Istanbul, Turkey.

➤ On 11 September 2018 in Paris, the **Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy:**

. held a hearing on *Activities of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)*, in the context of a report prepared by Mr Hendrik Daems (Belgium, ALDE) with the participation of Mr Marek Dabrowski, Non-Resident Fellow at Bruegel, Brussels, Professor at the Higher School of Economics, Moscow, and Fellow at CASE – Center for Social and Economic Research, Warsaw;

. held a hearing on *Democracy hacked? How to respond?* in the context of a report prepared by Mr Frithjof Schmidt (Germany, SOC) with the participation of Ms Divina Frau-Meigs, Professor, sociologist and media researcher, University Sorbonne Nouvelle, Paris, and Mr Ben Scott, member of the management board of the think tank Stiftung Neue Verantwortung, Director of Policy & Advocacy at the Omidyar Network, and former co-ordinator of technology and innovation policy advisers for the Hillary Clinton campaign in 2016;

. was informed by its Chairperson that it was agreed with the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) to forego, in 2018, the report and enlarged debate on the activities of the OECD it being understood that the OECD and the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe would pursue their longstanding and valued co-operation in order to schedule in due time activities for 2019.

➤ On 17 September 2018 in Tbilisi, the **Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee)**, in the context of the report on *The honouring of obligations and commitments by Georgia* (co-rapporteurs: Ms Kerstin Lundgren, Sweden, ALDE and Mr Titus Corlăţean, Romania, SOC), held an exchange of views with Ms Maya Tskitishvili, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Regional Development and Infrastructure, on *The reform process in Georgia* and had a joint seminar with the Parliament of Georgia on *Parliamentary Oversight and Role of Opposition* with the participation of:

- Mr Irakli Kobakhidze, Speaker of the Parliament of Georgia;
- Ms Tamar Chugoshvili, First Deputy Speaker of the Parliament of Georgia and Chairperson of the delegation to PACE;
- Mr Giorgi Kandelaki, Representative of the parliamentary opposition;
- Ms Nino Lomjaria, Public Defender (Ombudsperson) of Georgia;
- Mr Christian Urse, Head of the Council of Europe office in Georgia;
- Mr Catalin Gherman, Deputy Head of Co-operation, European Union delegation to Georgia
- Ms Irena Mijanovic, Project Officer, Democratic Parliaments, the Inter-parliamentary Union;

- Ms Natia Natsvlishvili, Assistant Resident Representative, United Nations Development Programme
- On 17-18 September 2018 in Lisbon, the **Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable development** held:
- . a hearing on *Anonymous donation of sperm and oocytes: balancing the rights of parents, donors and children*, in the context of a report prepared by Ms Petra De Sutter (Belgium, SOC) with the participation of:
 - Ms Carla Maria Pinho Rodrigues, President of the National Council of Medically Assisted Procreation of Portugal;
 - Mr Miguel Oliveira Da Silva, member of the Committee on Bioethics of the Council of Europe (DH-BIO), Portugal;
 - Ms Joanna Rose and Mr Christophe Masle, donor-conceived persons
 - an anonymous donor.
 - . a hearing on *The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals – how parliaments and member States of the Council of Europe can contribute*, in the context of a report prepared by Ms Jennifer De Temmerman (France, NR) with the participation of:
 - Mr José Luís Carneiro, Secretary of State of the Portuguese Communities;
 - Ms Marta Santos Pais, Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary General on Violence against Children;
 - Ambassador José Rui Carço, Director of the Council of Europe North-South Centre.
- On 19 September 2018 in Paris, the **Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination** held:
- . a hearing on *Hate speech in sports and politics*, in the context of the preparation of reports on *Growing hate speech and role of the political leaders in fighting hate crime: follow-up to ECRI Recommendations* (Rapporteur: Ms Elvira Kovács, Serbia, EPP/CD) and *Stop hate speech and acts of hatred in sport* (Rapporteur: Mr Goran Beus Richembergh, Croatia, ALDE), with the participation of Ms Joanna Szymanska, Programme Officer, Article 19, London, and Mr Carlo Balestri, Member of the Board in charge of international and intercultural relations, Unione Italiana Sport per Tutti (UISP), Rome;
 - . a hearing on *The gender dimension of radicalisation* with the participation of Mr Kristian Bartholin, Co-Secretary of the Council of Europe Counter-Terrorism Committee (CDCT), and Ms Joana Cook, Senior Research Fellow, International Centre for the Study of Radicalisation, Department of War Studies, King's College London;
 - . a hearing on *Making sign language one of Europe's official languages* in the context of the preparation of a report by Ms Miren Eurne Gorrotxategui (Spain, UEL), with the participation of Ms Claudine Brohy, Member of the Committee of Experts of the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages (COMEX) in respect of Switzerland, and Mr Mark Wheatley, Executive Director, European Union of the Deaf (EUD).
- On 20 September 2018 in Paris, the **Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence** held a meeting with the participation of parliamentary delegations of Partners for Democracy of Jordan, Morocco and Palestine.
- On 21 September 2018 in Paris, the **Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons** held:
- . an exchange of views on *Unlawful death of refugees and migrants*, with the participation of Ms Agnès Callamard, UN Special Rapporteur of the Human Rights Council on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions;
 - . an exchange of views on *The situation of Migration in France*, with the participation of Ms Élise Fajgeles, Member of the National Assembly and Rapporteur on Law No. 2018-778 for controlled immigration, effective right of asylum and successful integration, Mr Didier Leschi, Director General, French Office for Immigration and Integration (OFII) and Ms Sophie Pegliasco, Director of the Private Office of the Director General, French Office for the Protection of Refugees and Stateless Persons (OFPRA);

. an exchange of views on *A legal status for "Climate refugees"* in the context of a report prepared by Ms Marie-Christine Verdier-Jouclas (France, NR) with the participation of Mr Olivier Fontan, Deputy Director of Environment and Climate, Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs (MEAE), Ms Alexandra Bonnet, Deputy Director of the Directorate of European and International Affairs, Ministry of Ecological and Solidarity Transition (METES), Ms Isabelle Michal, Policy Officer, Climate Change and Disaster Displacement (CCDD) Unit, UNHCR, Geneva, and Ms Dina Ionesco, Head of the Division on Migration, Environment and Climate Change, IOM, Geneva.

➤ On 24 September, in Kiyv, the **Sub-Committee on Diasporas of the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons** took part in the Regional Conference of the Parliamentary Network on Diaspora Policies *on Platform for co-operation policies: role of diaspora associations and synergies with public authorities*.

➤ On 25 September 2018 in Tbilisi, the **Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media** held:

. an exchange of views on *Safeguarding and enhancing Europe's intangible cultural heritage* in the context of the report prepared by Mr Andries Gryffroy (Belgium, NR), with the participation of Ms Marina Taktakishvili, Expert at the National Agency for Cultural Heritage Preservation of Georgia, and Mr Irakli Cholobargia, MBA, Head of Marketing and PR Department at LEPL National Wine Agency, Georgia;

. a hearing on *Information society, democracy and human rights* in the context of the reports:

- . *Internet governance and human rights*, by Mr Andres Herkel, (Estonia, EPP/CD);
- . *Social media: social threads or threats to fundamental freedoms?*, by Mr José Cepeda (Spain, SOC);
- . *Towards an Internet Ombudsman institution*, by Mr Frédéric Reiss (France, EPP/CD);
- . *Media education in the new media environment*, by Ms Nino Gogvadze (Georgia, EC);

with the participation of:

- Ms Margo Smit, Ombudsman at Dutch Public Broadcaster (NPO), Investigative reporter, Vice Chair of Global Investigative Journalism Network, Netherlands;
- Ms Mariam Sulaberidze, Head of International Relations and Project Management, Georgian National Communications Commission;
- Ms Ketvi Rekhviashvili, Head of Market Analysis and Strategic Development Department, Georgian National Communications Commission;
- Ms Ketevan Chachava, Executive Director, Center for Development and Democracy, Georgia;

. an exchange of views on *Public service media in the context of fake news and propaganda* in the context of the report prepared by Mr Petri Honkonen (Finland, ALDE), with the participation of:

- Ms Natia Kuprashvili, Coalition of Media Advocacy Coordinator and Head of National Platform for the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum, Georgia;
- Mr George Gvimradze, Director of news and current affairs, Georgian Public Broadcaster.

➤ On 28 September 2018 in Paris, the **Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights**:

. held an exchange of views on *Required qualifications and profile of candidates for the post of judge at the European Court of Human Rights* with the participation of Mr Guido Raimondi, President of the European Court of Human Rights

III. Fact-finding visits in the framework of the preparation of reports

➤ ***Development co-operation: a tool for preventing migration crises***

Mr Pierre-Alain Fridez (Switzerland, SOC), Rapporteur of the *Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons*, carried out a fact-finding visit to Burkina Faso from **10 to 12 July 2018**.

➤ ***Greek islands: more needs to be done***

Ms Petra De Sutter (Belgium, SOC), Rapporteur of the *Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons*, carried out a fact-finding visit to Greece from **10 to 12 July 2018**.

➤ **Safeguarding and enhancing Europe's intangible cultural heritage**

Mr Andries Gryffroy (Belgium, NR), Rapporteur of the *Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media*, carried out a fact-finding visit to Croatia from **23 to 25 July 2018**, and to Georgia on **24 September 2018**.

➤ **The implications of Brexit for migration**

Mr Killion Munyama (Poland, EPP/CD), Rapporteur of the *Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons*, carried out a fact-finding visit to the United Kingdom on **4-5 September 2018**.

➤ **The honouring of obligations and commitments by Albania**

Mr Andrej Hunko (Germany, UEL) and **Mr Joseph O'Reilly** (Ireland, EPP/CD), Co-rapporteurs of the *Monitoring Committee*, carried out a fact-finding visit to Albania from **5 to 7 September 2018**.

➤ **For a disability inclusive workforce**

Mr Adão Silva (Portugal, EPP/CD), Rapporteur of the *Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination*, carried out a fact-finding visit to Denmark on **10-11 September 2018**.

➤ **Addressing the health needs of adolescents in Europe**

Baroness Doreen Massey (United Kingdom, SOC), Rapporteur of the *Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development*, carried out a fact-finding visit to Stockholm on **25-26 September 2018**.

➤ **The post-monitoring dialogue with Bulgaria**

Mr Frank Schwabe (Germany, SOC) and **Mr Zsolt Németh** (Hungary, EPP/CD), Co-rapporteurs of the *Monitoring Committee*, will carry out a fact-finding visit to Bulgaria from **3 to 5 October 2018**.

➤ **Sustainable urban development fostering social inclusion**

Ms Sybille Benning (Germany, EPP/CD), Rapporteur of the *Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development* will carry out a fact-finding visit to Zurich, Switzerland on **4-5 October 2018**.

IV. Seminars and conferences organised by the Assembly

On 5 July 2018, Rabat (Morocco): The Parliamentary Project Support Division in co-operation with the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination organised the “*Regional Conference on women in politics: how to progress towards equality?*” at the invitation of the Parliament of Morocco. In the framework of the South Programme III, parliamentarians from five partner countries: Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Morocco and Palestine and members of an ad hoc sub-committee of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination exchanged views on the parliamentary mechanisms and the key role of political parties in promoting the representation of women in political life as well as on the voice of women in elections.

On 23 July 2018, Athens: In the context of *The Parliamentary Campaign to end immigration detention of children*, a visit was organised to *SOS Children's villages Greece* with the participation of parliamentarians.

On 20 September 2018, Paris: The Parliamentary Project Support Division in co-operation with the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination and the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence organised a regional conference on “*Preventing and combating violence against women. Legislative advances and international standards in Southern Mediterranean countries: the role of parliaments in the framework of the South Programme III*” with the participation of members of the Parliaments of Jordan, Morocco, Palestine, as well as Members of the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence, Secretariat of the Group of Experts on Action against Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (GREVIO) and the Coordinator of the North-South Centre Pool of Experts on women's rights in the Southern Mediterranean took part in the event.

On 24 September 2018, Kyiv: The Parliamentary Project Support Division in cooperation with the Parliamentary Network on Diaspora policies organised a Regional Conference: “*Platform for co-operation policies: role of diaspora associations and synergies with public authorities*” in the framework of the South Programme III. The event was hosted by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine. Members of parliaments of the southern Mediterranean region had exchanges with members of the Parliamentary Network on the role of national parliaments with a view to establishing the legal basis for co-operation with Diasporas and local governments and civil societies.

V. Relations with the Committee of Ministers

A meeting of the **Joint Committee** will be held on Monday 8 October 2018 from 3 to 4 pm (room 5).

A **working breakfast** between the Presidential Committee of the Parliamentary Assembly and the Bureau of the Committee of Ministers will be held on Thursday 11 October 2018 at 8 am.

VI. Co-operation with the European Parliament and other European Union institutions

➤ On 26 September 2018, in Vienna, **Mr Yves Cruchten (Luxembourg, SOC)**, former Rapporteur of the *Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights* on “New restrictions on NGO activities in Council of Europe member States”, participated in the Fundamental Rights Forum organised by the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights.

VII. Co-operation with the Venice Commission

➤ On 17 September 2018, Tbilisi: the **Committee on the Honouring of obligations and commitments by member states of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee)** decided to ask the Venice Commission for opinion on the legal rules for the High Council of Justice and the Prosecutorial Council in Georgia.

VIII. List of meetings of the committees, the Bureau and the Presidential Committee

- **27-28 August 2018, Prague:** *1st meeting of the Selection Panel of the Václav Prize*
- **2 September 2018, Paris:** *Presidential Committee*
- **3 September 2018, Paris:** *Bureau of the Assembly*
- **3-4 September 2018, Paris:** *Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs*
- **10 September 2018, Paris:** *Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights*
- **11 September 2018, Paris:** *Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy*
- **17-18 September 2018, Tbilisi:** *Committee on the Honouring of obligations and commitments by member states of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee)*
- **17-18 September 2018, Lisbon:** *Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development*
- **19 September 2018, Paris:** *Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination*
- **20 September 2018, Paris:** *Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence*
- **20 September 2018, Paris:** *Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs*
- **21 September 2018, Paris:** *Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons*

- **24 September 2018, Kyiv:** *Sub-Committee on Diasporas*
- **25 September 2018, Tbilisi:** *Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media*
- **27-28 September 2018, Paris:** *Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights*
- **7 October 2018, Strasbourg:** *Presidential Committee*
- **7 October 2018, Strasbourg:** *2nd meeting of the Selection Panel of the Václav Prize*
- **8 October 2018, Strasbourg:** *Bureau of the Assembly*

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Fourth part of the 2018 Ordinary Session (8-12 October 2018)

Draft agenda¹

1. Drawn up by the Bureau of the Assembly on 3 September 2018.
Updated, on 14 September 2018, under the authority of the Secretary General of the Assembly, to reflect modifications to be proposed to the Bureau of the Assembly (modifications are indicated in grey).

Abbreviations

Bur: Bureau of the Assembly

Per: Standing Committee

Pol: Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy

Jur: Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights

Soc: Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development

Mig: Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons

Cult: Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media

Ega: Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

Mon: Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee)

Pro: Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs

Cdh: Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

EPP/CD: Group of the European People's Party

SOC: Socialists, Democrats and Greens Group

EC: European Conservatives Group





ALDE: Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe

UEL: Group of the Unified European Left

FDG: Free Democrats Group

NR: Representatives not belonging to a political group

Symbols

-  Presentation, statement
-  Deadline for tabling documents
-  Lists (speakers, questions)
-  Votes

Meetings outside the Chamber

Joint Committee

Monday: 15:00-16:00

Bureau of the Assembly

Monday: 08:00-09:30

Friday: 08:30-10:00

Committees

Monday: 14:00-15:00

Tuesday: 08:30-10:00

Wednesday: 14:00-15:30

Thursday: 08:30-10:00

Thursday: 14:00-15:30

Political groups

Monday: 09:30-11:30

Monday: 17:00-19:00

Tuesday: 14:00-15:30

Wednesday: 08:30-10:00

Monday 8 October 2018

Sitting No. 28 (11:30-13:00)

1. Opening of the part-session
 - 1.1. Statement by the President
 - 1.2. Examination of credentials
 - 1.3. Changes in the membership of committees
 - 1.4. Request(s) for current affairs debate or debate under urgent procedure
 - 1.5. Adoption of the agenda
2. Debate
 - 2.1. Progress report of the Bureau and the Standing Committee
 - ☐ Presentation by:
 - Ms Rósa Björk BRYNJÓLFSDÓTTIR (Iceland, UEL), Rapporteur AS/Bur (Doc.)
 - 2.2. Observation of the early presidential and parliamentary elections in Turkey (24 June 2018)
 - ☐ Presentation by:
 - Ms Olena SOTNYK (Ukraine, ALDE), Rapporteur AS/Bur (Doc. 14808)
 - 📅 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Monday 8 October, 10:00)
3. Prize Award Ceremony (12:30-13:00)
 - 3.1. Václav Havel Human Rights Prize²

Sitting No. 29 (16:00-17:00)

4. Debate (continued)
 - 4.1. Progress report of the Bureau and the Standing Committee
 - 4.2. Observation of the early presidential and parliamentary elections in Turkey (24 June 2018)
 - 📅 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Monday 8 October, 10:00)
 - 🗳 [possibly] Vote

2. See programme published separately (AS/Inf (2018) ...).

Tuesday 9 October 2018

Sitting No. 30 (10:00-13:00)

5. [Possibly] Elections (10:00-13:00)

5.1. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

- ☐ List of candidates in respect of:
 - Albania, Norway, Turkey (Doc. 14605, Doc. 14603, Doc. 14613)

6. Debate

6.1. Strengthening the decision-making process of the Parliamentary Assembly concerning credentials and voting

- ☐ Presentation by:
 - Ms Petra De SUTTER (Belgium, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Pro (Doc. 14621)
- 📖 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Monday 8 October, 18:00)
- 🕒 Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 8 October, 20:00)

Sitting No. 31 (15:30-20:30)

7. [Possibly] Elections (continued) (15:30-17:00)

7.1. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

8. Address (15:30-16:30)

8.1. Mr Khemaies JHINAOU, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Tunisia

- Speech (15:30-15:50)
- Questions and replies (15:50-16:30)

- 📖 Questions

9. Debate (continued)

9.1. Strengthening the decision-making process of the Parliamentary Assembly concerning credentials and voting

- 📖 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Monday 8 October, 18:00)
- 🕒 Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 8 October, 20:00)
- 🗳 Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 14621)

10. Debate

10.1. The treatment of Palestinian minors in the Israeli justice system

- ☐ Presentation by:
 - Ms Liliane MAURY PASQUIER (Switzerland, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Soc (Doc. 14583)
- 📖 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Tuesday 9 October, 12:00)
- 🕒 Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 8 October, 16:00)
- 🗳 Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14583)

Wednesday 10 October 2018

Sitting No. 32 (10:00-13:00)

11. [Possibly 2nd round] Elections (10:00-13:00)

11.1. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

12. Joint debate

12.1. Regulating foreign funding of Islam in Europe in order to prevent radicalisation and Islamophobia

- Presentation by:
 - Ms Doris FIALA (Switzerland, ALDE), Rapporteur AS/Pol (Doc. 14617)

12.2. Radicalisation of migrants and diaspora communities in Europe

- Presentation by:
 - Ms Sahiba GAFAROVA (Azerbaijan, EC), Rapporteur AS/Mig (Doc. 14625)
- 📅 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Tuesday 9 October, 19:30)
- 🕒 Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 8 October, 16:00)
- 🗳️ Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14617)
- 🗳️ Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14625)

13. Address (12:00-13:00)

13.1. Communication from the Committee of Ministers

- Presentation by:
 - Ms Marija PEJČINOVIĆ BURIĆ, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of Croatia, Chairperson of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe
- 📅 Questions (deadline for registration: Tuesday 9 October, 19:30)
- 🕒 Written questions (deadline for tabling: Monday 1 October, 11:30)

Sitting No. 33 (15:30-20:30)

14. [Possibly 2nd round] Elections (continued) (15:30-17:00)

14.1. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

15. Debate

15.1. Private and family life: achieving equality regardless of sexual orientation

- Presentation by:
 - Mr Jonas GUNNARSSON (Sweden, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Ega (Doc. 14620)
- 📅 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Wednesday 10 October, 12:00)
- 🕒 Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 9 October, 16:00)
- 🗳️ Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14620)

16. Debate

16.1. Nuclear safety and security in Europe

- Presentation by:
 - Ms Emine Nur GÜNAY (Turkey, EC), Rapporteur AS/Soc (Doc. 14622)
- 📅 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Wednesday 10 October, 12:00)
- 🕒 Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 9 October, 16:00)
- 🗳️ Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14622)

Debate

~~The honouring of obligations and commitments by Serbia~~

17. Debate

17.1. Unlimited access to member States, including "grey zones", by Council of Europe and United Nations human rights monitoring bodies

- Presentation by:
 - Mr Frank SCHWABE (Germany, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Jur (Doc. 14619)
- 📄 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Wednesday 10 October, 12:00)
- 🕒 Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 9 October, 16:00)
- 🗳️ Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 14619)

Thursday 11 October 2018

Sitting No. 34 (10:00-13:00)

18. [Possibly] Debate

18.1. Debate under urgent procedure or current affairs debate³

19. Question time (12:30-13:00)

19.1. Mr Thorbjørn JAGLAND, Secretary General of the Council of Europe

📖 Questions

Sitting No. 35 (15:30-20:00)

20. Debate

20.1. The role of national parliaments in successful decentralisation processes

📖 Presentation by:

o Mr Luís LEITE RAMOS (Portugal, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Soc (Doc. 14623)

📖 Statement by:

o Ms Gudrun MOSLER-TÖRNSTRÖM, President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe

📖 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 11 October, 12:00)

🕒 Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 10 October, 16:00)

🗳️ Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14623)

21. Joint debate

21.1. Family reunification of refugees and migrants in Council of Europe member States

📖 Presentation by:

o Ms Ulla SANDBÆK (Denmark, UEL), Rapporteur AS/Mig

21.2. Migration from a gender perspective: empowering women as key actors for integration

📖 Presentation by:

o Ms Gabriela HEINRICH (Germany, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Ega (Doc. 14606)

o Ms Eva-Lena JANSSON (Sweden, SOC), Rapporteur for opinion AS/Mig (Doc. 14630)

📖 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 11 October, 12:00)

🕒 Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 10 October, 16:00)

🗳️ Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 14626)

🗳️ Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14606)

3. Subject to a decision by the Assembly.

Friday 12 October 2018

Sitting No. 36 (10:00-13:00)

Debate

Nuclear safety and security in Europe

22. Debate

22.1. Deal-making in criminal proceedings: the need for minimum standards for trial waiver systems

- Presentation by:
 - Mr Boriss CILEVIČS (Latvia, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Jur (Doc. 14618)
- ▮ List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 11 October, 19:00)
- ⌚ Amendments (deadline for tabling: Thursday 11 October, 10:30)
- 🗳️ Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 14618)

23. Debate

23.1. The crash of Polish Air Force Tu-154M transporting the Polish State delegation, on 10 April 2010 on the Russian Federation's territory

- Presentation by:
 - Mr Pieter OMTZIGT (Netherlands, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Jur (Doc. 14607)
- ▮ List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 11 October, 19:00)
- ⌚ Amendments (deadline for tabling: Thursday 11 October, 10:30)
- 🗳️ Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14607)

24. Progress report

24.1. Progress report of the Bureau and the Standing Committee (continued)

25. Closure of the part-session

Appendix 2 – List of events linked to the part-session

Monday 8 October 2018	
<p>2–3 pm Room 1, Palais</p> <p>open to the public, tbc</p> <p>Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights</p>	<p>► Hearing on <i>Daphne Caruana Galizia’s assassination and the rule of law, in Malta and beyond: ensuring that the whole truth emerges</i></p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Mr Pieter Omtzigt, (Netherlands, EPP/CD) with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Jonathan Price, Barrister, Doughty Street Chambers, London • Mr Jules Giraudat, International Co-ordinator, Daphne Project
<p>2–3 pm Room 6, Palais</p> <p>Sub-Committee on Culture, Diversity and Heritage (of the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media)</p>	<p>► Exchange of views on the future priorities of the sub-committee</p> <p>with the participation of Mr Matjaž Gruden, Director of Democratic Participation, DGII - Directorate General of Democracy , Council of Europe</p>
<p>11 am – 7 pm Foyer of the hemicycle, Palais</p> <p>7.10 pm – Forecourt, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development</p>	<p>► Breaking down the barriers to care Breast cancer awareness-raising stand (light box, flyers, ribbons etc.)</p> <p>► Illumination in pink of the Palais</p>
Tuesday 9 October 2018	
<p>8.30 –10 am Room 1, Palais</p> <p>Open to the public</p> <p>Joint meeting of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development and the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination</p>	<p>► Hearing on <i>Protecting the rights of people with psychosocial disabilities with regard to involuntary measures in psychiatry</i></p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Ms Reina de Bruijn-Wezeman (Netherlands, ALDE), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Beatrice Gabriela Ioan, Chairperson of the Council of Europe Committee on Bioethics; • Ms Catalina Devandas Aguilar, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the rights of persons with disabilities; • Ms Dunja Mijatović, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights; • Ms Olga Runciman, Psychologist and owner of <i>Psycovery</i>.
<p>8.30 –10 am Room 6, Palais</p> <p>Sub-Committee on Media and Information Society (of the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media)</p>	<p>► Hearing on <i>Information society, democracy and human rights</i></p> <p>in the context of the reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Internet governance and human rights</i> prepared by Mr Andres Herkel, (Estonia, EPP/CD) - <i>Social media: social threads or threats to fundamental freedoms?</i> prepared by Mr José Cepeda, (Spain, SOC) - <i>Towards an Internet Ombudsman institution</i>, prepared by Mr Frédéric Reiss, (France, EPP/CD) - <i>Media education in the new media environment</i> prepared by Ms Nino Gogvadze, (Georgia, EC) <p>with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Victoria Nash, Deputy Director, Oxford Internet Institute, University of Oxford, United Kingdom • Mr Nello Cristianini, Professor of Artificial Intelligence, Intelligent Systems Laboratory, University of Bristol, United Kingdom • Mr Francisco Segado Boj, Director of the Research Group “Communication and Digital Society”, Universidad Internacional de la Rioja (UNIR), Spain • Mr Giacomo Mazzone, Head of institutional and members relations, European Broadcasting Union (EBU), Switzerland

Tuesday 9 October 2018	
<p>8.30 –10 am Room 8, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons</p>	<p>► Exchange of views on <i>Missing refugee and migrant children in Europe</i> and <i>Concerted action on human trafficking</i></p> <p>in the context of the reports prepared by Ms Serap Yaşar (Turkey, EC) and Mr Vernon Coaker (United Kingdom, SOC), with the participation of a representative of GRETA</p>
<p>8.30 – 9.50 am Room 10, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights</p>	<p>► Hearing on <i>The implementation of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights – 10th report</i></p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Mr Evangelos Venizelos (Greece, SOC) with the participation of Mr Martin Kuijer, Venice Commission substitute (The Netherlands), Senior Legal Adviser, Ministry of Security and Justice, Professor, VU University Amsterdam</p>
Wednesday 10 October 2018	
<p>2.00– 2.45 pm Room 6, Palais</p> <p>Sub-Committee on Media and Information Society (of the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media)</p>	<p>► Exchange of views on <i>Information disorder; Media literacy and on the future priorities of the sub-committee</i></p> <p>with the participation of Ms Urška Umek, Head of Media Unit, Media and Internet Governance Division, DGI - Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law, Council of Europe</p>
<p>2.00– 3.00 pm Room 8, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons</p>	<p>► Exchange of views on the <i>decision of the European Committee of Social Rights on the complaint EUROCEF v. France</i></p> <p>in the context of the Parliamentary Campaign to End Immigration Detention of Children, with the participation of Mr Jan Malinowski, Head of the Council of Europe Department of the European Social Charter</p>
<p>2.00– 3.30 pm Room 10, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights</p>	<p>► Exchange of views on <i>Abolition of the Death Penalty: 16th World Day against the Death Penalty</i></p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by the General Rapporteur on the abolition of the death penalty, Mr Yves Cruchten, (Luxembourg, SOC) with the participation of Mr Valiantsin Stefanovic, Deputy Chairman of the Human Rights Center Viasna, Minsk, Belarus</p> <p>► Hearing on <i>Ensuring greater follow-up of CPT recommendations: enhanced role of the Parliamentary Assembly and of national parliaments</i></p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Mr Damir Arnaut, (Bosnia and Herzegovina, EPP/CD) with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr George Tugushi, CPT expert, former Ombudsman in Georgia, member of the Georgian Parliament • Ms Barbara Bernath, Secretary General, Association for the Prevention of Torture
<p>2 – 2.45 pm Room 11, Palais <i>(in camera)</i></p> <p>Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee)</p>	<p>► Exchange of views with Ms Dunja Mijatović, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights <i>(in camera)</i></p> <p>within the framework of Resolution 1115 (1997)</p>

Wednesday 10 October 2018

2.45 – 3.30 pm
Room 9, Palais

Committee on Political Affairs
and Democracy

► **Hearing on *Updating guidelines to ensure fair referendums in Council of Europe member States***

in the context of the report prepared by Dame Cheryl Gillan (United Kingdom, EC), with the participation of Mr Nicos C. Alivizatos, Professor of Constitutional Law, Department of Public Law, Faculty of Law, University of Athens

Thursday 11 October 2018

8.30 – 10.00 am
Room 8 Palais

Committee on Migration,
Refugees and Displaced
Persons

► **Exchange of views on *The situation of migrants and refugees in Morocco and the Kingdom of Morocco's role in the UN Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration***

with the participation of Mr Lahbib Nadir, Secretary General of the Ministry responsible for Moroccans abroad and Migration Affairs of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs and International Co-operation

9.15 – 10.00 am
Room 9, Palais

Committee on Political Affairs
and Democracy

► **Exchange of views with Ms Dunja Mijatović, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights, on her priorities**

2 – 3.30 pm
Room 6, Palais

Committee on Culture,
Science, Education and Media

► **Exchange of views on *Strengthening the role of young people in the prevention and resolution of conflicts***

in the context of the report prepared by Ms Judith Pallarés (Andorra, ALDE), with the participation of experts

Appendix 3 - List of members of the ad hoc committee to observe the general elections in Bosnia and Herzegovina (7 October 2018)

Chairperson / Présidente: Dame Cheryl GILLAN, United Kingdom / Royaume-Uni

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Ms / Mme Iryna GERASHCHENKO, Ukraine
Mr / M. François GROSDIDIER, France
Mr / M. Georgii LOGVYNSKYI, Ukraine
Mr / M. Aleksander POČIEJ, Poland / Pologne
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Socialists, Democrats and Greens Group / Groupe des socialistes, démocrates et verts (SOC)

Mr / M. Pierre-Alain FRIDEZ, Switzerland / Suisse
Mr / M. Josip JURATOVIC, Germany / Allemagne
Ms / Mme Colette KELLEHER, Ireland / Irlande
Ms / Mme Soraya RODRÍGUEZ RAMOS, Spain / Espagne
Ms / Mme Idália SERRÃO, Portugal
Ms / Mme Angela SMITH, United Kingdom / Royaume-Uni*
Ms / Mme Adriana Diana TUȘA, Romania / Roumanie
Mr / M. André VALLINI, France
Mr / M. Petar VITANOV, Bulgaria / Bulgarie
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Mr / M. Emanuel MALLIA, Malta / Malte
Mr / M. José CEPEDA, Spain / Espagne
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Lord David BLENCATHRA, United Kingdom / Royaume-Uni
Dame Cheryl GILLAN, United Kingdom / Royaume-Uni*

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Ms / Mme Judith PALLARÉS, Andorra / Andorre

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Mr / M. Petter EIDE, Norway / Norvège*

Free Democrats Group (FDG) / Groupe des démocrates libres (GDL)

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Substitutes / Suppléants:

Rapporteur of Monitoring Committee / rapporteur de la commission de suivi

Mr / M. Tiny KOX, Netherlands / Pays-Bas

Venice Commission / Commission de Venise

Ms / Mme Mirjana LAZAROVA TRAJKOVSKA, former member of the Venice Commission / ancienne membre de la Commission de Venise

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Appendix 4 - List of members of the ad hoc committee to observe the presidential election in Georgia (28 October 2018)

Chairperson / Président : Mr / M. Andrej HUNKO, Germany / Allemagne*

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Ms / Mme Stella KYRIAKIDES, Cyprus / Chypre
Ms / Mme Inese LĪBIŅA-EGNERE, Latvia / Lettonie
Mr / M. Rónán MULLEN, Ireland / Irlande
Ms / Mme Bérengère POLETTI, France
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Mr / M. Georgii LOGVYNSKYI, Ukraine
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Appendix 5

Meetings of the Standing Committee and the Bureau in 2019

Monday 21 January, 8.00 am Strasbourg (part-session)	Bureau
Friday 25 January, 8.30 am Strasbourg (part-session)	Bureau
Thursday 28 February, 2.30 pm, Paris	Bureau
Friday 1 March, 9.30 am, Paris	Standing Committee
Monday 8 April, 8.00 am, Strasbourg (part-session)	Bureau
Friday 12 April, 8.30 am, Strasbourg (part-session)	Bureau
Thursday 23 May, 3.00 pm, Paris	Bureau
Friday 24 May, 9.00 am, Paris	Standing Committee (CM Chairmanship)
Monday 24 June, 8.00 am, Strasbourg (part-session)	Bureau
Friday 28 June, 8.30 am, Strasbourg (part-session)	Bureau
Tuesday 3 September, 9.00 am, Bern (Switzerland)	Bureau
Monday 30 September, 8.00 am, Strasbourg (part-session)	Bureau
Friday 4 October, 8.30 am, Strasbourg (part-session)	Bureau
End of November, Georgia	Bureau and Standing Committee (CM Chairmanship)
Friday 13 December, 9.00 am, Paris	Bureau