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Programme

09:30 – 10:00	Registration of participants
Opening session	
10:00 – 10:50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Semiha Borovac, Minister for Human Rights and Refugees of Bosnia and Herzegovina ○ Mirsad Isaković, Chairperson of Committee on Gender Equality of the Parliamentary Assembly of Bosnia and Herzegovina ○ Sahiba Gafarova, General Rapporteur of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe on violence against women ○ Dubravka Šimonović, United Nations Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights ○ Marja Ruotanen, Council of Europe Director of Human Dignity and Equality
10:50 – 11:15	Press conference / coffee break
1st working session	<p>Co-ordinating bodies at the heart of Government policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Moderator: Rudolf Lennkh, 1st Vice-Chair of the Committee of the Parties of the Istanbul Convention
11:15 – 12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Małgorzata Fuszara, Secretary of State, Polish Government Plenipotentiary for Equal Treatment ○ Foteini Kouvela, Secretary General, Greek General Secretariat for Gender Equality ○ Samra Filipović Hadziabdić, Director of the Agency for Gender Equality of Bosnia and Herzegovina ○ Julio Arnaldo García Jiménez, Executive Adviser, Spanish Government Office on Gender-based Violence <p><u>Debate</u></p>
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch break

2nd working session Parliamentary involvement in monitoring international human rights obligations Moderator: Sahiba Gafarova , General Rapporteur of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe on violence against women	
14:00 – 16:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Marit Maij, Member of the Dutch Parliament and Member of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe ○ Meho Omerović, Chairperson of Committee on Human and Minority Rights and Gender Equality of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Republic of Serbia ○ Mónica Ferro, Member of the Portuguese Parliament, Chair of the All-Party Group on Population and Development ○ Brigitte Filion, Programme Officer, Programme for Partnership between men and women, Inter-Parliamentary Union <p><u>Debate</u></p>
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee break
3rd working session The role of civil society actors and national human rights institutions Moderator: Dubravka Šimonović , United Nations Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences	
16:30 – 17:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Marceline Naudi, Second Vice-President of the Group of Experts on Action against Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (GREVIO) ○ Višnja Ljubičić, Gender Equality Ombudsperson of the Republic of Croatia ○ Karin Heiseke, World Future Council <p><u>Debate</u></p>
Concluding session	
17:30 – 18:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Borislav Bojić, Chairperson of the Joint Committee on Human Rights of the Parliamentary Assembly of Bosnia and Herzegovina ○ Zoran Perković, Assistant Minister for International Legal and Consular Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Chairmanship of the Committee of the Ministers of the Council of Europe