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Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

Draft agenda (revised 2)

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Date: Thursday, 12 September 2024

from 9am to 12.30pm and from 2pm to 5.30pm

Venue: Office of the Council of Europe, 55, avenue Kléber, Paris 16th (Metro: Boissière) Tel.: + 33 1 44 05 33 60 (all times are CEST)

1. Agenda

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Adoption of the agenda.

2. Minutes

[AS/Ega (2024) PV 04; AS/Ega/Network (2024) PV 02; AS/Ega/Network (2024) PV 03; AS/Ega (2024) PV 05; AS/Ega/Alliance (2024) PV 02]

Approval of the draft minutes of:

- the meetings of the committee and the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence held on 5-6 June 2024 in Tirana;
- the seminar of the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence held on 11 June 2024 in Riga;
- the meeting of the committee held on 25-27 June 2024 in Strasbourg;
- the meeting of the No Hate Parliamentary Alliance held on 26 June 2024 in Strasbourg.

3. Statement by the Chairperson of the Committee

4. Preventing and combating violence and discrimination against lesbian, bisexual and queer (LBQ) women in Europe

Rapporteur: Ms Béatrice Fresko Rolfo (Monaco, ALDE)

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

5. Protecting the human rights and improving the lives of sex workers and victims of sexual exploitation

Rapporteur: Mr Fourat Ben Chikha (Belgium, SOC)

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

[at 11am]

6. Promoting inclusive participation in parliamentary and political life

Rapporteur: Ms Maryna Bardina (Ukraine, ALDE)

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- Consideration of an information note;
- Presentation of OSCE tools for gender equality in parliaments, including gender audits for parliaments and political parties by Mr Saša Gavrić, Gender Adviser, Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (OSCE/ODIHR);
- Exchange of views.

7. Overcoming age-based discrimination against older persons

Rapporteur: Ms Andrea Eder-Gitschthaler (Austria, EPP/CD)

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Consideration of a preliminary draft report.

8. Global rules to eliminate all forms of religious oppression

Rapporteur: Mr Francesco Verducci (Italy, SOC)

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Consideration of an information memorandum.

9. Work programme

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Consideration of the work programme.

[at 2pm]

10. Preventing and combating gender discrimination in health

Rapporteur: Ms Camilla Fabricius (Denmark, SOC)

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Hearing with the participation of:

- Ms Melanie Hyde, Gender, Equity and Human Rights Technical Officer, World Health Organisation (WHO) Regional Office for Europe;
- Ms Marina Kvaskoff, epidemiologist and tenured scientist, French National Institute for Health and Medical Research (INSERM).

11. Enhancing co-operation between parliaments and equality bodies

Rapporteur: Ms Tuula Haatainen (Finland, SOC)

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Consideration of an introductory memorandum.

12. The situation in Iran and the protection of Iranian human rights defenders in Council of Europe member States

Rapporteur for opinion: Ms Mariia Mezentseva-Fedorenko (Ukraine, EPP/CD)

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Statement by the Rapporteur for opinion.

13. Activities of the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence, the No Hate Parliamentary Alliance and the Parliamentary Platform for the rights of LGBTI people in Europe

Communication by the General Rapporteurs.

14. Appointment of representatives (*subject to the availability of funds*)

[\[Programme\]](#)

Invitation to Ms Tuula Haatainen (Finland, SOC), in her capacity as Rapporteur on *Enhancing co-operation between parliaments and equality bodies* to participate in the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI) annual seminar with Equality Bodies “Exposing Racism, Intolerance, and Inequalities”, to be held in Strasbourg, on 17-18 October 2024.

[at 3.30pm]

15. Council of Europe Steering Committee on Anti-discrimination, Diversity and Inclusion (CDADI)

Exchange of views with Mr Erik Adell Hellström, Chair of the CDADI.

16. Reporting back

[\[Press release\]](#)

Members of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Bureau of the Assembly for their participation in the European Holocaust Memorial Day for Roma and Sinti, held in Auschwitz-Birkenau, Poland, on 2 August 2024.

17. Conference “Artificial Intelligence and Democracy”, Oslo, 21 October 2024

[invitation]

Appointment of members to the Ad Hoc Committee of the Bureau of the Assembly to participate in the Annual conference of the European Parliamentary Technology Assessment network (EPTA) on the theme “Artificial Intelligence and Democracy”, to be held in Oslo on 21 October 2024 (*at no cost to the Assembly*).

18. Conference “Promoting safety, integrity, equality and inclusion in sport”, Athens, 4-5 November 2024

[programme]

Appointment of members to the Ad Hoc Committee of the Bureau of the Assembly to participate in the Conference “Promoting safety, integrity, equality and inclusion in sport” organised by the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe and the Hellenic Parliament, to be held in Athens on 4-5 November 2024 (*at no cost to the Assembly*).

19. World Forum for Democracy, Strasbourg, 6 to 8 November 2024

[\[concept note\]](#)

Appointment of members to the Ad Hoc Committee of the Bureau of the Assembly to participate in the World Forum for Democracy which will take place in Strasbourg from 6 to 8 November 2024, which will be dedicated to *Democracy and Diversity - Can we transcend the divides?* (*at no cost to the Assembly*).

20. Other business

21. Next meetings

- Strasbourg, during the fourth part-session 2024 of the Assembly (30 September - 4 October);
- Paris, 5 December 2024 (Council of Europe Office).