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Day I, Tuesday, 18 March 2025

9:30-10:00	Registration of participants. Welcome coffee ELECTORAL EXHIBITION
10:00-10:45 RAUT Plenary Room	OPENING SESSION <i>Moderator: Pavel POSTICA, Deputy Chairperson, Central Electoral Commission</i> <i>Speakers:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Angelica CARAMAN, Chairperson, Central Electoral Commission</i>• <i>Falk LANGE, Head, Council of Europe Office in Chisinau</i>• <i>Igor GROSU, Speaker, Parliament of the Republic of Moldova</i>• <i>Domnica MANOLE, Chairperson, Constitutional Court of the Republic of Moldova</i>• <i>Polina PANAINTE, Secretary, Civic Coalition for Free and Fair Elections</i>
10:45-11:10	<i>Retrospective and peculiarities of the Presidential Elections and Republican Constitutional Referendum of 20 October 2024</i> <i>Angelica CARAMAN, Chairperson, Central Electoral Commission</i>
11:10-12:45 RAUT Plenary Room Coffee break 11:30-11:50	PLENARY SESSION <i>Overview of the organisation of the Presidential Elections and Republican Constitutional Referendum of 20 October 2024 in the context of the international electoral standards</i> <i>Main findings and recommendations of Elections Observation Missions</i> <i>Moderator: Liri KOPACI-DI-MICHELE, Head of PACE Parliamentary and Electoral Cooperation Division</i> <i>Speakers:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Jone BLIKRA, (Member of Norwegian Parliament, SOC), Head of Delegation of the Parliamentary Assembly Election Observation Mission for the second round of the presidential election in the Republic of Moldova, Council of Europe</i>• <i>Gonzalo De MENDOZA ASENSI, European Parliament Secretariat</i>• <i>Ulvi AKHUNDLU, Deputy Head, Election Department, OSCE/ODIHR</i>• <i>Dritan TAULLA, Head of the EOM of ENEMO for the 2024 Elections in Moldova</i>• <i>Ion MANOLE, Executive Director, Promo-LEX Association</i>• <i>Video address from Ms. Lucie POTUCKOVA, Special Co-ordinator Leader of the OSCE Short-Term Observer Mission, and Mr. Johan BUSER, Head of the OSCE PA Delegation</i> Discussions

12:45-13:45	Lunch break
13:45-15:00 RAUT Plenary Room Coffee break 15:00-15:20	<p>PLENARY SESSION</p> <p>Financial integrity. Financing of electoral contestants and electoral campaigns.</p> <p>Moderator: <i>Pavel POSTICA, Deputy Chairperson, Central Electoral Commission</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Alexandru LUPAN, Deputy Head, General Inspectorate of Police</i> • <i>Alexandru SAVCA, Deputy Director, National Anticorruption Center</i> • <i>Ghennadi EPURE, Prosecutor, Anticorruption Prosecutor's Office</i> • <i>Nicolae PANFIL, Program Director, Promo-LEX Association</i> • <i>Nadejda SACOVICI, Program Director, IRI Moldova</i> • <i>Alexander SHLYK, Expert</i> <p>Discussions</p>
15:20-16:30 BEGONIA conference room	<p>DEBATE SESSIONS</p> <p>Panel no.1: Legal framework and practices for handling complaints and petitions</p> <p>Moderator: <i>Vadim FILIPOV, Member, Central Electoral Commission</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Rita LEFTER-SIMAȘCO, Member, Central Electoral Commission</i> • <i>Oliver KASK, Substitute member of the Venice Commission, Council of Europe</i> • <i>Stela PROCOPCIUC, Interim Chairperson, Supreme Court of Justice</i> • <i>Ghenadie MÎRA, Interim Chairperson, Chisinau Court of Appeal</i> • <i>Mihaela DUCA-ANGHELICI, Expert, Promo-LEX Association</i> • <i>Political party representatives</i> <p>Discussions</p>
15:20 –16:30 BLU LOUNGE conference room	<p>DEBATE SESSIONS</p> <p>Panel no.2: Cybersecurity and digitization of electoral processes: voter registration, voter turnout data and preliminary results.</p> <p>Moderator: <i>Vasile POSTOLACHE, Member, Central Electoral Commission</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Andrei CONSTANTIN, Head, Information Technology and Voters' Lists Management Department, Central Electoral Commission</i> • <i>Alexandru COREȚCHI, Director, Information Technology and Cyber Security Service</i> • <i>Nicolae BABALICI, Head, Interaction with Identity Document Issuance Services Section, Citizenship and Personal Records Department, Public Services Agency</i> • <i>Nicoleta COLOMEET, Director, Electronic Governance Agency</i> • <i>Representatives of political parties</i> <p>Discussions</p>

15:20 –16:30 LOFT LOUNGE conference room	<p>DEBATE SESSIONS</p> <p><i>Panel no.3: Media coverage of the 2024 Elections. Political and electoral advertising. Combating disinformation</i></p> <p><i>Moderator: Pavel POSTICA, Deputy Chairperson, Central Electoral Commission</i></p> <p><i>Speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Rodica SÎRBU, Head, Communication, Public Relations and Media Department, Central Electoral Commission</i> • <i>Orest DABIJA, Member. Audiovisual Council</i> • <i>Natalia ZAHARESCU, Journalist, Ziarul de Gard</i> • <i>Petru MACOVEI, Executive Director, Independent Press Association</i> • <i>Natalia IURAȘ, Program Manager, International IDEA</i> • <i>Andrei JICOL, Association of Advertising Agencies</i> • <i>Valeriu PAȘA, Chairperson, WatchDog</i> • <i>Igor VOLNITCHI, Expert CoE</i> • <i>Representatives of political parties</i> <p>Discussions</p>
16:30	Dinner

Day II, Wednesday, 19 March 2025

9:30 – 10:00	Registration of participants
10:00 – 12:45 BEGONIA conference room Coffee break 11:30-12:00	<p>DEBATE SESSIONS</p> <p><i>Panel no.4: Organizing voting from abroad, including postal voting: achievements and perspectives</i></p> <p><i>Moderator: Tatiana BARBUROS, Member, Central Electoral Commission</i></p> <p><i>Speakers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Angelica CARAMAN, Chairperson, Central Electoral Commission</i> • <i>Ana CALINICI, State Secretary, State Chancellery</i> • <i>Vadim ZMEU, Interim Head, Consular Affairs Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs</i> • <i>Natalia ȚURCANU, Consultant, Council of Europe</i> • <i>Krzysztof LISEK, Resident Program Director, IRI Moldova</i> • <i>Mihai MOGÎLDEA, Deputy Director, IPRE</i> • <i>Representatives of political parties</i> <p>Discussions</p>

10:00 – 12:45	DEBATE SESSIONS
BLU LOUNGE conference room	<p>Panel no.5: Combating hate speech, sexist speech and gender-based violence in elections: conduct of electoral contestants.</p> <p>Moderator: Dana MUNTEANU, Secretary, Central Electoral Commission</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teodora VANGHELII, Member, Central Electoral Commission • Irina COROBCENCO, Expert, Promo-LEX Association • Sergiu MARTIN, Head, Audiovisual Media Control Service Department, Audiovisual Council • Svetlana ANDRIES, Deputy Country Representative, UN Women Moldova • Liliana PALIHOVICI, President, AO "Institutum Virtutes Civilis" • Loretta HANDRABURA, Expert • <i>Representatives of political parties</i> <p>Discussions</p>
10:00 – 12:45	DEBATE SESSIONS
LOFT LOUNGE conference room	<p>Panel no.6: Certification of electoral officials. Continuous training and development</p> <p>Moderator: Mircea CATÎRĂU, Member, Central Electoral Commission</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doina BORDEIANU, Director, Center for Continuous Electoral Training (CICDE) • Nicolae PORUBIN, Commander of the independent unit of the Training Center (military unit 1006) of the General Inspectorate of Carabinieri. • Igor BUCATARU, Expert, Promo-LEX • <i>Representatives of political parties</i> <p>Discussions</p>
12:45 – 14:30	PLENARY SESSION
RAUT Plenary Room	<p>Conclusions, proposals, recommendations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moderators of the debate sessions <p>Closing remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Franck DAESCHLER, Coordinator, Elections Programme, PACE Parliamentary and Electoral Cooperation Division • Angelica CARAMAN, Chairperson, Central Electoral Commission
14:30-16:00	Lunch

*Note: Romanian-English-Romanian simultaneous translation will be ensured in **Raut Plenary Room** and **Begonia conference room***