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16 May 2024

Bureau of the Assembly

Draft agenda

This draft agenda, addressed to members of the Bureau of the Assembly, is the convocation to the meeting

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Date: 23 May 2024 –10 am to 1 pm [in camera] / 2.30 pm to 4 pm

Venue: Vilnius, *Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania, Gedimino pr. 53, Vilnius, Lithuania (Meeting room: Constitution Hall)*

10 am to 1.00 pm - morning session [in camera]

1. Election of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe

[Letter of the Chairperson of the Minister's Deputies; CM(2023)216; CM(2024)22; CM(2024) 25; AS/Bur (2023) 48]

Interviews of the candidates (1 hour each)

The Bureau decided on 14 September 2023 to invite the three candidates for an interview during the Bureau meeting in Vilnius, on 23 May 2023 (Mr Alain Berset from 10 to 11 am, Mr Didier Reynders from 11 am to 12 noon, and Mr Indrek Saar from 12 noon to 1 pm). Interviews would begin with a presentation by each of the candidates of not more than 15 minutes, followed by questions from Bureau members

2.30 pm to 4 pm - continuation of the Bureau meeting

2. Communication by the President

[AS/Bur (2024) 19]

3. Agenda

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Draft decision: to adopt the draft agenda

4. Minutes

[AS/Bur (2024) PV 04, AS/Bur (2024) PV 05]

Draft decision: to approve the draft minutes of the meetings held on 15 and 19 April 2024

5. Communication by the Secretary General and the Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe

[Written communication]

Draft decision: to take note of the communication by the Secretary General and the Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe

6. Meeting of the Standing Committee in Vilnius (24 May 2024)

6.1. Request for a current affairs debate

On 14 May 2024, the leaders of the political groups requested that the Assembly holds a current affairs debate on “Recent challenges to democracy in Georgia”

Draft decision: to decide whether to recommend to the Assembly to hold this debate and, if so, to appoint the first speaker

6.2. Consideration of the draft agenda

[AS/Per (2024) OJ 02 rev2]

Draft decision: to take note of the draft agenda

7. Third part-session of 2024 (Strasbourg, 24-28 June)

[AS/Bur (2024) 20]

Draft decision: to draw up the draft agenda for the third part-session of 2024

8. References and transmissions to committees

[AS/Bur (2024) 18; letter]

Draft decision: to approve the proposals contained in the document, to be ratified by the Standing Committee

9. Election observation

9.1. North Macedonia: Presidential and parliamentary elections (24 April and 8 May 2024)

[\[Statement\]](#)

Draft decision: to take note of the statement of the delegation

9.2. Bulgaria: early parliamentary elections (9 June 2024)

[List]

Draft decision: to approve the updated list of members of the ad hoc committee to observe these elections

9.3. Republic of Moldova: Presidential election (20 October 2024 - tbc)

Draft decision: subject to receiving an invitation, to decide whether to observe these elections and, if so, to set up an ad hoc committee and decide its composition, and to conduct a pre-electoral mission

9.4. Georgia: parliamentary elections (26 October 2024)

Draft decision: to decide whether to observe these elections and, if so, to set up an ad hoc committee and decide its composition, and to conduct a pre-electoral mission

10. Other business

Items possibly to be dealt without debate:

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| <p>11. [Possibly] Composition of the Monitoring Committee, the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs and the Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights
[Lists of members]
Draft decision: to approve the lists of members</p> <p>12. 2024 Vigdís Prize for Women's Empowerment
[Press statement]
Draft decision: to take note of the list of the three candidates shortlisted</p> <p>13. 2024 World Forum for Democracy (Strasbourg, 6-8 November)
[Concept note]
Draft decision: to take note of the concept paper and decide to set up an ad hoc committee of the Bureau to participate in the Forum</p> <p>14. Dates and places of next meetings
Monday 24 June 2024, 8 am, Strasbourg (part-session)
Friday 28 June 2024, 8.30 am, Strasbourg (part-session)
Friday 6 September 2024, 9.30 am, Paris</p> |
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