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8 April 2026

Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

Draft agenda

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of the meetings to be held in Strasbourg, Palais de l'Europe, on:

- **Monday, 20 April 2026, from 2pm to 3pm (room 10): meeting of the committee**
- **Tuesday, 21 April 2026, from 1pm to 2pm (room 7): meeting of the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence (*see separate draft agenda AS/Ega/Network (2026) OJ 01*)**
- **Tuesday, 21 April 2026, from 2pm to 3.30pm (room 10): meeting of the committee**
- **Wednesday, 22 April 2026, from 2pm to 3.20pm (room 10): meeting of the committee**
- **Wednesday, 22 April 2026, from 3.20pm to 3.30pm (room 10): meetings of the sub-committees**
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A. Monday, 20 April 2026, from 2pm to 3pm (room 10): meeting of the committee

1. Agenda

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Adoption of the agenda

2. Minutes

[AS/Ega (2026) PV 02; AS/Ega/Alliance (2026) PV 01]

Approval of the draft minutes of the meetings of the committee and of the No Hate Parliamentary Alliance held on 20 March 2026 in Paris

3. Violence and hate speech against politicians: a threat to democracy

Rapporteur for opinion: Ms Yevheniia Kravchuk (Ukraine, ALDE);

Rapporteur for report: Ms Elisabetta Gardini (Italy, ECPA), Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy

[AS/Ega (2026) 15; [Doc.16363](#)]

Adoption of a draft opinion

Deadline for tabling amendments: Monday 20 April, 4pm

Debate in the Assembly will take place on Tuesday 21 April afternoon

4. Statement by the Chairperson of the committee

5. Enhancing co-operation between parliaments and equality bodies

Rapporteur: Ms Tuula Haatainen (Finland, SOC)

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Consideration of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution

6. Vigdís Prize for Women's Empowerment 2026

Communication by the Chairperson

B. Tuesday, 21 April 2026 from 1pm to 2pm (room 7): meeting of the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence (see separate draft agenda AS/Ega/Network (2026) OJ 01)

C. Tuesday, 21 April 2026, from 2pm to 3.30pm (room 10): meeting of the committee

7. Countering discrimination based on religion and protecting freedom of religion or belief in Europe

Rapporteur: Mr Francesco Verducci (Italy, SOC)

[[Doc 16373](#); amendments]

Consideration of possible amendments to the draft resolution

Deadline for tabling amendments: Monday 20 April, 4pm

Debate in the Assembly will take place on Tuesday 21 April afternoon

8. Promoting the Istanbul Convention and improving its implementation: building on lessons learnt

Rapporteur: Ms Zita Gurmai (Hungary, SOC)

[[Doc. 16372](#); amendments]

Consideration of possible amendments to the draft resolution

Deadline for tabling amendments: Tuesday 21 April, 10:30am

Debate in the Assembly will take place on Wednesday 22 April morning

9. Paving the way for a culture of consent

Rapporteur: Ms Zita Gurmai (Hungary, SOC)

[[Doc. 16370](#); amendments]

Consideration of possible amendments to the draft resolution

Deadline for tabling amendments: Tuesday 21 April, 10:30am

Debate in the Assembly will take place on Wednesday 22 April morning

10. The deterioration of women's rights in Afghanistan: a need for global response

Rapporteur: Ms Maria Syrengela (Greece, EPP/CD)

Rapporteur for opinion: Ms Sena Nur Çelik Kanat (Türkiye, NR), Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons

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Consideration of an information memorandum

11. Work programme

11.1. Consideration of the work programme

[AS/Ega/Inf (2026) 01rev2; AS/Ega/Inf (2026)15]

11.2. Call for candidates for rapporteurs for report

Preventing and combating vicarious violence as a form of gender-based violence against women
([Doc. 16366](#)) (subject to reference to the committee)

The impact of artificial intelligence on the lives of older persons: opportunities, risks and policy responses ([Doc. 16367](#)) (*subject to reference to the committee*)

11.3. Appointment of rapporteurs for report

Countering the backlash against women's rights: a European response ([Doc.16339](#))

Mainstreaming remembrance: preserving the historical memory of Roma and Travellers to counter Antigypsyism ([Doc. 16300](#))

Comprehensive protection of children in rainbow families across Europe ([Doc. 16299](#))

Strengthening the affective and emotional dimension of comprehensive sexuality education to prevent and combat discrimination, hate crime and gender-based violence ([Doc. 16318](#))

11.4. Appointment of a General Rapporteur on the rights of LGBTI persons

11.5. Request for extension of reference

Eliminating gender stereotypes in the media (Rapporteur: Ms Yevheniia Kravchuk, Ukraine, ALDE)

11.6. Request for authorisation to carry out a fact-finding visit to Brussels

Equal share of unpaid care work between women and men: a pre-condition to achieving gender equality (Rapporteur: Ms Wanda Nowicka, Poland, SOC)

11.7. Third part-session 2026 of the Assembly

Proposal to request an urgent affairs debate on "Women's access to justice"

12. Appointment of representatives

Ad hoc committee of the Bureau of the Assembly to participate in the Black Sea Security Forum 2026 (Odesa, Ukraine, 29-31 May 2026) (*at no cost to the Assembly*)

13. Activities of the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence, the No Hate Parliamentary Alliance, the Parliamentary Platform for the rights of LGBTI persons in Europe and the General Rapporteur on Roma and Travellers

Statements by the General Rapporteurs

D. Wednesday, 22 April 2026, from 2pm to 3.20pm (room 10): meeting of the committee

14. Gender breakdown in Assembly positions in 2025

[AS/Ega/Inf (2026) 02rev; [Resolution 2394 \(2021\)](#); [Resolution 2633 \(2025\)](#)]

Statement by the Chairperson and exchange of views

15. Violent pornography

Rapporteur: Ms Laura Castel (Spain, UEL)

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Statement by the rapporteur on her fact-finding visit to the United Kingdom (14-15 April 2026)

16. Reporting back

- Ms Iris Luarasi (Albania, SOC) on her participation in the Information Integrity Conference, in a panel discussion on "Social media that chill: Analysing online violence against women in politics" and on her participation in a roundtable discussion with civil society organisations and women's shelters, both organised by the Council of Europe Office in Pristina (Pristina, 8 December 2025);
- Ms Zita Gurmai (Hungary, SOC) on her participation in the Roundtable on digital gender-based violence: legal tools and public policies, organised by the Catalanian Parliament (Barcelona, 9 December 2025);
- Mr Georgios Stamatis (Greece, EPP/CD) on his participation in the 13th Plenary meeting of the Committee of Experts on Roma and Traveller Issues (ADI-ROM) (Strasbourg, 1-2 April 2026);

- Mr Georgios Stamatīs (Greece, EPP/CD) on his participation in the official event marking the International Roma Day (London, 7 April 2026);
- Ms Tuula Haatainen (Finland, SOC) on her participation in the meeting of the Network of Parliamentarians to Promote the Implementation of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights (Strasbourg, 20 April 2026);

17. Composition of the sub-committees

[Lists of members]

Approval of modifications in the composition of the sub-committees

18. Václav Havel Human Rights Prize 2026

[\[Press release\]](#)

Call for nominations for the 2026 Václav Havel Human Rights Prize

19. Meeting of the committee (Athens, 28-29 May 2026)

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Consideration of a draft programme and a practical information note

20. Other business

21. Next meetings

- Athens, 28-29 May 2026
- Strasbourg, during the third part-session 2026 of the Assembly (22-26 June)
- Paris, 18 September 2026 (*to be confirmed*)
- Strasbourg, during the fourth part-session 2026 of the Assembly (28 September – 2 October)
- Paris, 30 November 2026 (*to be confirmed*)

E. Wednesday, 22 April 2026, from 3.20pm to 3.30pm: meetings of the Sub-Committee on the Rights of Minorities and the Sub-Committee on Disability and Multiple and Intersectional Discrimination
(see separate draft agendas)