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21 May 2026

Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

Revised draft agenda

This draft agenda, addressed to full members of the committee and their alternates, is the convocation to the meeting.

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All items will be taken in the order in which they appear on the agenda, with the exception of those for which a precise time is indicated or where the Chair decides otherwise.

All hearings are public unless specified otherwise.

Dates:

- **Thursday, 28 May 2026, from 9.30am to 5pm: meeting of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination**
- **Friday, 29 May 2026, from 9am to 1pm: Conference on the Power of remembrance: addressing antigypsyism through heritage and culture**
(CEST)

Venue: Hellenic Parliament, Senate Hall, *Leof. Vasilissis Sofias 2*, Athens

Secretariat telephone number (28-29 May 2026): + 33 (0) 6 62 26 54 89

A. Thursday, 28 May 2026, from 9.30am to 5pm: meeting of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

1. Welcome addresses

- Mr Athanasios Bouras, Vice-President of the Hellenic Parliament
- Ms Despina Chatzivassiliou, PACE Secretary General

2. Overview of the situation on equality and non-discrimination in Greece

Exchange of views with representatives of national authorities:

- Ms Elena Rapti, Deputy Minister for Equality and Human Rights

3. Agenda

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Adoption of the agenda

4. Minutes

[AS/Ega (2026) PV 03; AS/Ega/Network (2026) PV 01]

Approval of the draft minutes of the meetings of the committee held on 20, 21 and 22 April 2026 and of the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence held on 21 April 2026 in Strasbourg

5. Statement by the Chairperson of the Committee**6. Violent pornography***Rapporteur: Ms Laura Castel (Spain, UEL)*

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

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8. Artificial intelligence and gender equality: risks and challenges*Rapporteur: Ms Edite Estrela (Portugal, SOC)**Rapporteur for opinion of the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media: Ms Mia Karamehić-Abazović (Bosnia and Herzegovina, NR)*

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Consideration of an information memorandum

9. Work programme

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9.1. Consideration of the work programme**9.2. Call for candidates for rapporteurs for report**Attacks on the rights of LGBTI persons in Europe: a threat to democracy ([Doc. 16354](#))Social media platforms, women and girls: harnessing democratic potential while safeguarding fundamental rights ([Doc. 16369](#))**9.3. Appointment of rapporteurs for report**Preventing and combating vicarious violence as a form of gender-based violence against women ([Doc. 16366](#))The impact of artificial intelligence on the lives of older persons: opportunities, risks and policy responses ([Doc. 16367](#))**10. Appointment of representatives**

[Programme]

Ad hoc committee of the Bureau to participate in the 9th World Congress Against the Death Penalty (Paris, 30 June – 2 July 2026) (*at no cost to the Assembly*)

[2pm]

11. Exchange of views with Ms Petra Bayr, President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE)**12. The deterioration of women's rights in Afghanistan: a need for global response***Rapporteur: Ms Maria Syrengela (Greece, EPP/CD)*

Rapporteur for opinion of the Committee on Migration, International Protection and Economic Co-operation: Ms Sena Nur Çelik Kanat (Türkiye, NR)

Hearing with the participation of:

- Ms Sajia Behgam, Education Rights Activist
- Ms Homa Ahmadi, Former Member of Parliament, Logar Province, Afghanistan, Co-Founder of the Afghan Women Parliamentarians & Leaders Network (AWPLN)
- Ms Elhama Hashimi, Youth representative
- Dr Nadina Christopoulou, Director & Co-Founder, Melissa Network
- UN Women Representative (*online*)

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

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Statements by the General Rapporteurs

International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia (IDAHOT) (17 May) ([Statement](#))

14. Reporting back

- Ms Béatrice Fresko-Rolfo (Monaco, ALDE) on her participation in the European Social and Economic Committee (CESE) (Brussels, 29 April 2026)
- Mr Georgios Stamatis (Greece, EPP/CD) on his participation in a visit to FIFA (Zurich, 19 May 2026)
- Ms Kate Osborne (United Kingdom, SOC) on her participation in the 13th European IDAHOT+ Forum (Copenhagen, 19 May 2026)

15. Composition of the sub-committees

[Lists of members]

Approval of modifications in the composition of the sub-committees

16. Vigdís Prize for Women's Empowerment 2026

[\[Press release\]](#)

Update on the selection procedure and on the meeting of the Selection Panel (Reykjavík, 6 May 2026)

17. World Forum for Democracy, Strasbourg, 4 to 6 November 2026

[\[Concept note\]](#)

Appointment of members to the Ad hoc Committee of the Bureau of the Assembly to participate in the World Forum for Democracy (Strasbourg, 4-6 November 2026) (*at no cost to the Assembly*)

18. Other business

19. Next meetings

- 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*)

B. Friday, 29 May 2026, from 9am to 1pm: Conference on the Power of remembrance: addressing antigypsyism through heritage and culture

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20. Session 1: Memory as resistance: Preserving Roma and Traveller history to counter antigypsyism

21. Session 2: Reclaiming the narrative: Roma culture and identity to foster inclusion