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23 January 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.

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

- **Tuesday, 27 January 2026, from 8.30am to 10am (room 10): meeting of the committee**
- **Wednesday, 28 January 2026, from 1pm to 2pm (room 6): meeting of the Parliamentary Platform for the rights of LGBTI persons in Europe (see *separate draft agenda AS/Ega/Platform (2026) OJ 01*)**
- **Thursday, 29 January 2026, from 2pm to 3pm (room 8): meeting of the committee (CET)**

A. Tuesday, 27 January 2026, from 8.30am to 10am (room 10): meeting of the committee

- 1. Opening of the meeting by the oldest member present**
- 2. Election of the Bureau of the Committee**
[List of members of the Committee]
 - Election of the Chairperson
 - Election of the Vice-Chairpersons
- 3. Agenda**
[AS/Ega (2026) OJ 01]
Adoption of the agenda
- 4. Minutes**
[AS/Ega (2025) PV 08; AS/Ega/Network (2025) PV 02]
Approval of the draft minutes of the meetings of the committee and of the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence held on 3 December 2025 in Paris
- 5. Statement by the Chairperson of the Committee**
- 6. Reconstitution of Sub-Committees**
[Lists of members]

- Consideration of Secretariat proposal to fully-integrate the work of the Sub-Committee on Gender Equality into the mainstream committee activities in 2026, and reconstitute the Sub-Committee on the Rights of Minorities and the Sub-Committee on Disability, Multiple and Intersectional Discrimination
- Approval of the composition of the above two Sub-Committees

7. Paving the way for a culture of consent

Rapporteur: Ms Zita Gurmai (Hungary, SOC)

[AS/Ega (2026) 02]

Consideration of a preliminary draft report

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

Rapporteur: Ms Zita Gurmai (Hungary, SOC)

[AS/Ega (2026) 03]

Consideration of a preliminary draft report

9. Equal share of unpaid care work between women and men: a pre-condition to achieving gender equality

Rapporteur: Ms Wanda Nowicka (Poland, SOC)

[AS/Ega (2026) 04]

Consideration of an information memorandum

10. Commission on the Status of Women (CSW 70) (New York, United States, 11-13 March 2026)

[AS/Ega/Inf (2026) 03; AS/Ega/Inf (2026) 05; List of members; [Website CSW](#)]

Approval of the composition of the *ad hoc* Sub-Committee to participate in the 70th Session of the CSW (*at no cost to the Assembly*)

Exchange of views with:

- Ms Yolanda Iriarte, UN Women Strategic Partnerships, Intergovernmental and Normative Engagement Specialist (*online*)
- Ms Agustela Nini-Pauli, UN Women Human Rights Expert (*online*)
- Ms Elena Ratoi, UN Women, Intergovernmental and Normative Engagement team (*online*)

11. Work programme

11.1. Consideration of the work programme

[AS/Ega/Inf (2026) 01; AS/Ega/Inf (2026) 10]

11.2. Consideration of a draft motion for resolution with a view to its adoption by the committee and for tabling on its behalf

[AS/Ega (2026) 05]

Countering the backlash against women's rights: a European response

11.3. Appointment of a rapporteur for report

On the road to parity: supporting young women in politics ([Doc. 16256](#))

11.4. Appointment of a rapporteur for opinion

Climate and gender equality – Strengthening the protection of women's rights in the face of climate disruption ([Doc. 16224](#))

12. Assembly's institutional representation

Appointment of a committee representative and a substitute to the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI) for 2026

13. Appointment of representatives

[Invitation; Invitation; Terms of reference; Terms of reference]

- Mr Georgios Stamatis (Greece, EPP/CD) to participate in the National Forum “Decent Home, Secure Future: Housing Conditions as a Key Determinant of Child Rights” organised within the framework of the EU and Council of Europe Joint Programme ROMACT in partnership with the Bulgarian National Council for Cooperation on Ethnic and Integration Issues (Sofia, 24 February 2026) (*at no cost to the Assembly*)
- Mr Georgios Stamatis (Greece, EPP/CD) to participate in the official event marking the International Roma Day (London, 7 April 2026)
- Ad hoc committee of the Bureau of the Assembly to participate in the High-Level Conference (HLC) on the European Social Charter (Chişinău, 18-19 March 2026) (*at no cost to the Assembly and subject to the authorisation by the Bureau of the Assembly*)
- One member of the committee to be part of the Parliamentary Network for a healthy environment
- Three members of the committee to be part of the Parliamentary Network on the situation of the children of Ukraine

14. Terms of reference of General Rapporteurs

[AS/Ega/Inf (2026) 06; AS/Ega/Inf (2026) 07; AS/Ega/Inf (2026) 08; AS/Ega/Inf (2026) 09]

Consideration of the updated terms of reference of the General Rapporteurs

15. Activities of the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence, the Parliamentary Platform for the rights of LGBTI persons in Europe and the General Rapporteur on Roma and Travellers

Statements by the General Rapporteurs

B. Wednesday, 28 January 2026, from 1 to 2pm, (room 6): meeting of the Parliamentary Platform for the rights of LGBTI persons in Europe (see separate draft agenda AS/Ega/Platform (2026) OJ 01)

C. Thursday, 29 January 2026, from 2pm to 3pm (room 8): meeting of the committee

16. For a ban on conversion practices

Rapporteur: Ms Kate Osborne (United Kingdom, SOC)

[[Doc. 16315](#); amendments]

Consideration of possible amendments to the draft resolution

Deadline for tabling amendments: Wednesday 28 January, 5pm

Debate in the Assembly will take place on Thursday 29 January afternoon

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

[AS/Ega (2026) 01]

Rapporteur: Mr Francesco Verducci (Italy, SOC)

Consideration of a preliminary draft report

18. Enhancing co-operation between parliaments and equality bodies

Rapporteur: Ms Tuula Haatainen (Finland, SOC)

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Statement by the rapporteur on her fact-finding visit to Budapest (20-21 October 2025)

19. Activities of the No Hate Parliamentary Alliance

Statement by the General Rapporteur on combating racism and intolerance

20. 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)
- Members of the Committee on their participation in the Parliamentary Conference on Artificial Intelligence (London, 15-16 December 2025)
- Mr Georgios Stamatis (Greece, EPP/CD) on his participation in “From Promise to Practice: Oslo Consultation on Combatting Religious Intolerance and Strengthening the Implementation of HRC Resolution 16/18” (Oslo, 13-14 January 2026)

21. Vigdís Prize for Women's Empowerment

[[Press release](#); [website Vigdís Prize](#)]

Call for nominations for the 2026 Vigdís Prize for Women's Empowerment

22. Václav Havel Human Rights Prize 2026

[[Press release](#)]

Call for nominations for the 2026 Václav Havel Human Rights Prize

23. Other business

24. Next meetings

- Paris, 20 March 2026
- Strasbourg, during the second part-session 2026 of the Assembly (20-24 April)
- 28-29 May 2026 (*venue to be determined, date to be confirmed*)
- 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*)