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Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

Draft agenda (revised 2)

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Date: Monday, 12 May 2025

- from 9am to 12.30pm and from 2pm to 3.30pm: meeting of the Committee
- from 3.30pm to 5pm: joint meeting with the No Hate Parliamentary Alliance

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(all times are CEST)

A. from 9am to 12.30pm: meeting of the Committee

- 1. Agenda**
[AS/Ega (2025) OJ 04 rev2]
Adoption of the agenda
- 2. Minutes**
[AS/Ega (2025) PV 03]
Approval of the draft minutes of the meetings of the committee held on 8 and 9 April 2025 in Strasbourg
- 3. Statement by the Chairperson of the Committee**
- 4. Promoting inclusive participation in parliamentary life: gender equality, accessibility and inclusive policies**
Rapporteur: Ms Maryna Bardina, Ukraine, ALDE
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Consideration of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution

5. Violent pornography

Rapporteur: Ms Laura Castel (Spain, UEL)

Rapporteur for opinion of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development: Mr Joseph O'Reilly (Ireland, EPP/CD)

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Consideration of a preliminary draft report

[11.30am]

6. Preventing and combating gender discrimination in health

Rapporteur: Ms Camilla Fabricius (Denmark, SOC)

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- Consideration of an information memorandum
- Exchange of views with Dr Tlaleng Mofokeng, UN Special Rapporteur on the right to health (online)

B. from 2pm to 3.30pm: meeting of the Committee

7. Women's rights in Europe – Progress and challenges

Hearing with the participation of:

- Ms Isabelle Rome, Ambassador for Human rights and for the duty of memory relating to the international dimension of the Shoah and spoliations, and Former Minister Delegate for Gender Equality, Diversity and Equal Opportunities, France
- Ms Camille Froidevaux-Metterie, Philosopher and professor of political science, University of Reims Champagne-Ardenne, France
- Ms Lola Schulmann, Advocacy Officer, Amnesty International

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

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Rapporteur: Mr Francesco Verducci (Italy, SOC)

Statement by the rapporteur on his fact-finding visit to London on 29-30 April 2025

9. Work programme

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9.1. Consideration of the work programme

9.2. Appointment of rapporteurs for reports

- *Protecting ethnic and religious diversity in Syria*, motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Max Lucks and other members of the Assembly [[Doc. 16110](#)]
- *The deterioration of women's rights in Afghanistan: a need for global response*, motion for a resolution tabled by Ms Maria Syrengela and other members of the Assembly [[Doc. 16115](#)]
- *Paving the way for a culture of consent*, motion for a resolution tabled by Ms Zita Gurmai and other members of the Assembly [[Doc. 16133](#)]

9.3. Appointment of a rapporteur for opinion

- *The situation of Ukrainian soldiers who became disabled as a result of hostilities*, motion for a resolution tabled by Mr Jan Filip Libicki and other members of the Assembly [[Doc. 16063](#)] (Rapporteur for report of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development: Mr Jan Filip Libicki, Poland, EPP/CD)

10. General Rapporteur on Roma and Travellers

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Consideration of draft Terms of Reference of a General Rapporteur on Roma and Travellers

11. **Activities of the Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence, the No Hate Parliamentary Alliance and the Parliamentary Platform for the rights of LGBTI persons in Europe**
12. **Rights of LGBTI persons**

Consideration of a request to the European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission) for an opinion on the 15th amendment to the Fundamental Law adopted by the Hungarian National Assembly on 14 April 2025
13. **Appointment of representatives** (*subject to availability of funds*)
14. **Reporting back**
 - Ms Catia Polidori (Italy, EPP/CD) on her participation in the meeting between parliamentarians from the Nordic Council and the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (Kristiansand, Norway, 5 May 2025)
 - Members of the ad hoc committee of the Bureau of the Assembly on their participation in the parliamentary conference on “Envisioning effective public policy to prevent and address cases of missing migrants” (Strasbourg, 23-24 April 2025)
15. **Composition of the sub-committees**

[Lists of members]

Consideration of modifications in the composition of the sub-committees
16. **Vigdís Prize for Women's Empowerment 2025**

[[press release](#)]

Update on the selection procedure and the meeting of the Selection Panel (Strasbourg, 2 May 2025)
17. **World Forum for Democracy, Strasbourg, 5 to 7 November 2025**

[[concept note](#)]

Appointment of members to the Ad Hoc Committee of the Bureau of the Assembly to participate in the World Forum for Democracy which will take place in Strasbourg from 5 to 7 November 2025, on the theme of *Democracy at risk: how can we revive it? (at no cost to the Assembly)*
18. **Meeting of the Committee and joint conference with the Parliamentary Platform for the rights of LGBTI persons in Europe, Valletta, 11 and 12 September 2025**

[Invitation; AS/Ega/Platform (2025) 01]

Consideration of a concept note
19. **Other business**
20. **Next meetings**
 - Strasbourg, during the third part-session 2025 of the Assembly (23-27 June 2025)
 - Valletta, 11-12 September 2025
 - Strasbourg, during the fourth part-session 2025 of the Assembly (29 September – 3 October 2025)
 - Paris, Friday, 5 December 2025
- C. **from 3.30pm to 5pm: joint meeting with the No Hate Parliamentary Alliance** (*see separate agenda AS/Ega/Alliance (2025) OJ 01*)
21. **Addressing discrimination against women and girls belonging to national minorities**

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Exchange of views with:

 - Mr Christophe Kamp, OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities (*online*)
 - Ms Tove H. Malloy, former General Rapporteur on gender equality, member of the Advisory Committee on the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities, Denmark
 - Ms Jennie Brandén, Associate Professor in Social Work, Umeå University, Sweden (*online*)

- Ms Oana Taba, Co-Secretary to the Committee of Experts on Roma and Traveller Issues (ADI-ROM), Council of Europe
- Ms Alba Hernández Sánchez, Co-Founder of the Feminist Collective of Romani Gender Experts, Spain