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Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights

Draft agenda

**for the meeting to be held on 8 September 2025
from 9.30am to 1pm and from 2.30pm to 5pm**

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convocation to the meeting**

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1. Agenda

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Adoption of the agenda

2. Minutes

[\[AS/Jur \(2025\) PV 05\]](#)

Approval of the minutes of the meeting held in Strasbourg on 23, 24 and 26 June 2025.

3. The need to modernise the International Humanitarian Law

Rapporteur: Mr Vladimir Vardanyan, Armenia, EPP/CD

[\[AS/Jur \(2025\) 24\]](#)

Consideration of an introductory memorandum

4. Journalists matter: the need to step up efforts to liberate Ukrainian journalists held in captivity by the Russian Federation (tbc)

Rapporteur for opinion: Ms Nadejda Iordanova, Bulgaria, NR

Rapporteur of the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media: Ms Yevheniia Kravchuk, Ukraine, ALDE

[\[AS/Cult\(2025\) 20\]](#)

[\[AS/Jur \(2025\) 25\]](#)

Consideration and approval of the Committee's opinion

5. Legal and human rights aspects of the Russian Federation's aggression against Ukraine

Rapporteur for follow-up: Mr Eerik-Niiles Kross, Estonia, ALDE

[\[Res. 2605\]](#)

[CM\(2025\)104-final](#)

[CM\(2025\)103-final](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions - Special Tribunal for the Crime of Aggression against Ukraine - Portal](#)

[Case of Ukraine and the Netherlands v. Russia](#)

[ECHR 173 \(2025\)\]](#)

Statement by the rapporteur and exchange of views with Mr Jörg Polakiewicz, Director of Legal Advice and Public International Law (DLAPIL), Council of Europe

6. Work programme

[\[AS/Jur/Inf \(2025\) 01rév3\]](#)

[\[AS/Jur/Inf \(2025\) 18\]](#)

6.1 Call for candidatures for rapporteurs for report

- Corruption as a threat to democracy and the rule of law in Europe: the emergency of the situation in Spain ([Doc. 16194](#))
- Accountability for the Russian Federation's war of aggression against Ukraine

6.2 Call for candidatures for a rapporteur for opinion

- Situation in Belarus

6.3 Appointment of rapporteurs for report

- How to ensure that the Russian Federation implements the judgments of the European Court of Human Rights, including paying the compensation awarded ([Doc. 16149](#))
- Statutory Opinion on the Draft Council of Europe Convention establishing an International Claims Commission for Ukraine (subject to the request from the Committee of Ministers and reference to the committee for opinion)

6.4 Appointment of a rapporteur for opinion

- Follow-up to the 4th round of GRECO recommendations relating to parliamentarians ([Doc. 16157](#))

7. Ad hoc Committee of the Bureau to participate in the World Forum for Democracy (Strasbourg, 4-7 November 2025)
[\[Concept note\]](#)

Appointment of committee members to participate in the *Ad hoc* Committee

8. Updating the Venice Commission Rule of Law Checklist: a contribution by the Assembly (at 2.30pm)
Rapporteur: Ms Klotilda Bushka, Albania, SOC
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Hearing with the participation of:

- Mr Iain Cameron, member of the Venice Commission in respect of Sweden (online);
- Professor Laurent Pech, Dean of Law and Head of the Sutherland School of Law, University College Dublin;
- Ms Erinda Ballanca, People's Advocate of Albania

9. Threats to life and safety of journalists and human rights defenders in Azerbaijan
Rapporteur: Mr Christophe Lacroix, Belgium, SOC
[\[AS/Jur \(2025\) 23\]](#)

Statement by the rapporteur and consideration of an information note

10. Regulating Foreign Influence: best practices and European standards (at 3.45pm)
Rapporteur: Mr Emanuelis Zingeris, Lithuania, EPP/CD
[\[AS/Jur \(2025\) 21\]](#)

Hearing with the participation of:

- Mr Charles Baubion, Team Leader for Information Integrity and Foreign Interference, Anticorruption and Integrity in Government Division, Public Governance Directorate, OECD;
- Dr András Kristóf Kádár, attorney-at-law and Co-chair of the Hungarian Helsinki Committee;
- Ms Katarína Batková, Executive Director at VIA IURIS (Slovak Republic) (online)

11. Replies from the Committee of Ministers to recommendations emanating from the committee
[\[Doc. 16144\]](#)
[AS/Jur/Inf \(2025\) 11rev\]](#)

[Reply adopted at the 1524th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies](#) (2 April 2025) to [Recommendation 2270\(2024\)](#) "Right to freedom of information: ensuring access to historical documents"

12. Reporting back on participation in meetings

Reports by the following representatives:

- 99th Plenary meeting of GRECO, Strasbourg, 17-19 March 2025: Ms Arusyak Julhakyan (Armenia, EPP/CD)
- 69th Plenary meeting of MONEYVAL, Strasbourg, 10-13 June 2025: Ms Klotilda Bushka (Albania, SOC)

13. Changes in the composition of the Sub-Committees

14. Other business

15. Next meetings

Plenary committee:

- during the Assembly's 4th part-session of 2025 (29th September – 3 October 2025)
- 1-2 December 2025, London

Sub-committee on Artificial Intelligence and Human Rights:

- 13-14 October 2025, Warsaw

Sub-Committee on the implementation of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights:

- 2 December 2025 (morning), London