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31 March 2025

Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy

Draft agenda

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of the meetings to be held in Strasbourg on:

Monday 7 April 2025, 14:00 – 15:30: Sub-Committees meetings (separate draft agendas) – room 9

- Sub-Committee on the Middle East and the Arab World
- Sub-Committee on the Western Balkans
- Sub-Committee on External Relations

- **Tuesday 8 April 2025, 08:30 – 10:00 (Room 9)**
- **Thursday 10 April 2025, 08:30 – 10:00 (Room 9)**

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1. Agenda

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Adoption of the agenda

2. Minutes

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Approval of the minutes of the meeting held in Paris on 5 March 2024

3. Foreign interference: a threat to democratic security in Europe

Rapporteur: Ms Zanda Kalniņa-Lukaševica, Latvia, EPP/CD

[[Doc. 16131](#); Amendments]

Consideration of amendments

Deadline for amendments: Monday 7 April 2025, 16:00

Debate in the Assembly: Tuesday 8 April 2025, morning sitting

4. Interconnections between the Council of Europe and the European political community

Rapporteur: Mr Zsolt Németh (Hungary, EC/DA)

[[Doc. 16128](#); Amendments]

Consideration of amendments

Deadline for amendments: Monday 7 April 2025, 16:00

Debate in the Assembly: Tuesday 8 April 2025, afternoon sitting

5. Political consequences of the Russian Federation's war of aggression against Ukraine

Rapporteur: Mr Piero Fassino (Italy, SOC)

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Consideration of an introductory memorandum

6. Political parties and democracy

Rapporteur: Ms Ingrid Schie Schou (Norway, EPP/CD)

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Consideration of an outline report

7. Call for candidates of rapporteurs for report

- Role of the Parliamentary Assembly and National Parliaments in implementing the outcome of the 2024 Summit for the Future ([Doc. 16108](#))
- Safeguarding the rule of law in Tunisia ([Doc. 16060](#))

Thursday 10 April 2025, 08:30 – 10:00

8. Strengthening relations between the Council of Europe and Latin America

Rapporteur: Mr Antonio Gutiérrez Limones, Spain, SOC

[[Doc. 16129](#); Amendments]

Consideration of amendments

Deadline for amendments: Wednesday 9 April 2025, 16:00

Debate in the Assembly: Thursday 10 April 2025, afternoon sitting

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

Rapporteur: Ms Elisabetta Gardini (Italy, ECPA)

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Consideration of an introductory memorandum

Hearing with the online participation of Ms Kimberly McArthur, Chief Operating Officer, Apolitical Foundation

10. A closer cooperation between the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe and the United States Congress

Rapporteur: Mr George Papandreou (Greece, SOC)

Statement by the rapporteur on his fact-finding visit to Washington on 12 and 13 March 2025

11. Russian democratic forces

Rapporteur: Mr Eerik-Niiles Kross (Estonia, ALDE)

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Consideration of an introductory memorandum

12. Meeting of the committee in Chania, Greece

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13. Work programme

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13.1. Appointment of rapporteurs

- Role of the Parliamentary Assembly and National Parliaments in implementing the outcome of the 2024 Summit for the Future ([Doc. 16108](#))
- Safeguarding the rule of law in Tunisia ([Doc. 16060](#))

13.2. Declaration of interests

- Mr Max Lucks (Germany, SOC), Youth Rapporteur

13.3. Requests for extensions of references

- Political consequences of the Russian Federation's war of aggression against Ukraine
Rapporteur: Mr Piero Fassino (Italy, SOC)
- Implementation of the Good Friday agreement
Rapporteur: Ms Blerina Gjylameti (Albania, SOC)
[\[Doc. 15758\]](#)

13.4. Ad hoc committees of the Bureau

- Statement by the Chairperson

14. Changes in the composition of the sub-committees

15. Reporting back on participation in meetings

82nd Meeting of the Council for Democratic Elections in Venice, Italy, on 13 March 2025: Mr Titus Corlăţean (Romania, SOC)

16. Ad hoc Committee of the Bureau to participate in Black Sea Security Forum, Odessa, Ukraine, 30-31 May 2025
[Programme]

Appointment of up to three members to participate in the Forum

17. Ad hoc Committee of the Bureau to participate in the parliamentary conference on “Envisioning effective public policy to prevent & address cases of missing migrants” organised as a follow-up to Resolution 2569 (2024) “Missing migrants, refugees and asylum seekers – A call to clarify their fate”, in Strasbourg, on 23-24 April 2025

Appointment of members to participate in the parliamentary conference

18. Authorisations by the Committee

19. Other business

Vigdís Prize for Women's Empowerment 2025: [call for nominations](#)

20. Next meetings

- 26-27 May 2025, Chania, Crete, Greece
- June part-session (23-27 June 2025), Strasbourg
- Wednesday 10 September 2025, Paris
- October part-session (29 September-3 October 2025), Strasbourg
- Thursday 11 December 2025, Paris.