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Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development

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 Chairperson decides otherwise.

Draft agenda

of the meeting to be held in Paris on Thursday, 3 December 2026 from 9 am to 5 pm

[Please also take note of the following meetings:
- Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize: 3 December 2026 from 1.30 pm to 2.00 pm
- Parliamentary Network on the situation of the children of Ukraine: 4 December 2026, from 9 am to 12 am
- Parliamentary Network for a healthy environment: 4 December 2026, from 1 pm to 5 pm – visit of the Cité des Sciences, Paris]

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1. Agenda
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Adoption of the draft agenda

2. Draft minutes
[AS/Soc (2026) PV 07, AS/Soc (2026) PV 07add, AS/Soc (2026) PV 07add2, AS/Soc (2026) PV 07add3]

- Approval of the draft minutes of the meeting held in Strasbourg during the 2026 fourth part-session
- Approval and declassification of the draft minutes of hearing on "End Israel's unlawful detention of Palestinian children" held in Strasbourg on 28 September 2026
- Approval and declassification of the draft minutes of the joint hearing with women@PACE on "Ending discrimination against survivors" held in Strasbourg on 1 October 2026
- Approval and declassification of the draft minutes of the joint hearing with the Parliamentary Network for a healthy environment held in Strasbourg on 1 October 2026

3. European Social Charter

- Presentation of a guide for parliamentarians on the European Social Charter and of a leaflet
- Follow-up to the meeting of the Sub-Committee on the European Social Charter – Roundtable on "The European Social Charter in Switzerland: challenges and opportunities", 14 October 2026, Bern

4. Climate and gender equality – strengthening the protection of women's rights in the face of climate disruption
Rapporteur: Ms Aurora Floridia, Italy, SOC

Hearing with the participation of experts

5. Climate action as a human and democratic responsibility
Rapporteur : Ms Yuliia Ovchynnykova, Ukraine, ALDE
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Hearing with the participation of:
- Mr Mario Herberz, Professor, University of Geneva
- Mr Laurent Neyret, Professor of private law, Sciences Po Law School
- Mr Baptiste Morizot, philosopher

6. Democratising the economy: a new frontier for democratic governance
Rapporteur: Ms Saskia Kluit, Netherlands, SOC
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Consideration of an introductory memorandum

7. Ensuring the right to be forgotten for cancer survivors
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Consideration of a draft motion for a resolution to be tabled on behalf of the Committee

8. Children without identity in Europe and around the world: a crucial challenge for fundamental rights
Rapporteur: Mr Régis Bergonzi, Monaco, ALDE

Hearing with the participation of experts

9. Taking action against sexually transmitted infections
Rapporteur: Ms Béatrice Fresko-Rolfo, Monaco, ALDE
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10. Recognition of the right to a healthy environment

Exchange of views and contributions from members on developments in their respective countries regarding the recognition of the right to a healthy environment

11. Committee's work programme
[AS/Soc (2026) 01, AS/Soc (2026) 02rev7, AS/Soc (2026) Inf 01rev7]

11.1. Appointment of Rapporteur
[Doc. 16411, Doc. 16438]

- For report on "Europe's energy sovereignty: a strategic path toward security and sustainability"
- For report on "Territorial cohesion: a strategic imperative for a sustainable Europe"

11.2. Call for candidate of Rapporteur
[Doc. 16318, Doc. 16445, Doc. 16485]

- For opinion on “Strengthening the affective and emotional dimension of comprehensive sexuality education to prevent and combat discrimination, hate crime and gender-based violence”
- For opinion on “Protecting the right to education in Gaza”
- For opinion on “Combating school segregation and the intergenerational transmission of poverty”

11.3. Appointment of Committee representatives to external events (subject to the availability of funds)

- 15th EUR-OPA Ministerial Session, 19 March 2027, San Marino

11.4. Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize

- Examination of a proposal to amend the Rules on the Europe Prize

12. Reports from Committee representatives to external events

- *Ad hoc* committee of the Bureau to participate in the 9th World Congress Against the Death Penalty, 30 June-2 July 2026, Paris: Mr Joe O’Reilly (Ireland, EPP/CD), Mr Berdan Öztürk (Türkiye, UEL) and Mr Georgios Stamatis (Greece, EPP/CD)
- 16th meeting of the COE-FRA-ENNHRI-EQUINET Collaborative Platform on Social and Economic Rights, on 7 October 2026, in Vienna, Austria: Mr Georgios Stamatis (Greece, EPP/CD) and Ms Sibel Arslan (Switzerland, SOC)
- 2nd meeting of the Steering Committee on the Environment (CDENV), 13-14 October 2026, Strasbourg: Ms Aurora Floridia (Italy, SOC)
- *Ad hoc* Committee of the Bureau to participate in the 2026 Anticipation Summit, on 14-15 October 2026, in Geneva, Switzerland: Ms Maria-Gabriela Horga (Romania, EPP/CD), Mr Georgios Stamatis (Greece, EPP/CD) and Ms Sibel Arslan (Switzerland, SOC)
- *Ad hoc* Sub-Committee to participate in the 17th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity - COP 17, on 19-30 October 2026 (2 days maximum), in Yerevan, Armenia: Mr Paul Galles (Luxembourg, EPP/CD), Baroness Thérèse Coffey (United Kingdom, ECPA), Ms Aurora Floridia (Italy, SOC) and Mr Georgios Stamatis (Greece, EPP/CD)
- 51st session of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, 27-29 October 2026, Strasbourg, France: Ms Yuliia Ovchynnykova (Ukraine, ALDE)
- *Ad hoc* committee of the Bureau to participate in the World Forum for Democracy, 2-3 November 2026, Strasbourg: Mr Georgios Stamatis (Greece, EPP/CD), Mr Szymon Hołownia (Poland, ALDE)
- EPTA Annual Conference 2026 on Sustainable Urban Mobility, 2-3 November 2026, Athens, Greece: Mr Nuno Fazenda (Portugal, SOC)
- United Nations Climate Change conference – COP31, including the Parliamentary Meeting organised by the IPU, 9-20 November 2026 (limited number of days), Antalya, Türkiye: Ms Yuliia Ovchynnykova (Ukraine, ALDE), Ms Aurora Floridia (Italy, SOC) and Mr Murat Cahid Cingi (Türkiye, NR)
- 49th Plenary Meeting of the Committee of the Parties to the Council of Europe Convention on the protection of children against sexual exploitation and sexual abuse (Lanzarote Committee), 17-19 November 2026, Strasbourg: Mr Georgios Stamatis (Greece, EPP/CD)
- 14th Plenary meeting of the Steering Committee for the Rights of the Child (CDENF), 25 - 27 November 2026, Strasbourg: Ms Olena Khomenko (Ukraine, ECPA)
- 13th Conference on the implementation of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention, on 1-2 December 2026, in Strasbourg: Ms Aurora Floridia (Italy, SOC)

13. Other business

Parliamentary Network on the situation of the children of Ukraine, Vienna, Austria on 3 November 2026

14. Date and place of next meetings

Plenary committee
- First part session of the Assembly, 25–29 January 2027, Strasbourg
- 5 April 2027, Paris office (to be confirmed)
- Second part session of the Assembly, 26–30 April 2027, Strasbourg
- 3-4 June 2027, Paris office *or elsewhere* (to be confirmed)
- Third part session of the Assembly, 21–25 June 2027, Strasbourg
- 2 September 2027 or 13 October 2027, Paris office (to be confirmed)
- Fourth part session of the Assembly, 27 September–1 October 2027, Strasbourg
- 1 December 2027, Paris office (to be confirmed)

Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize
- First part session of the Assembly, 25–29 January 2027, Strasbourg

Sub-Committee on the European Social Charter
- First part session of the Assembly, 25–29 January 2027, Strasbourg

Parliamentary Network for a healthy environment
- 4 December 2026, Paris office
- First part session of the Assembly, 25–29 January 2027, Strasbourg

Parliamentary Network on the situation of the children of Ukraine
- 4 December 2026, Paris office
- First part session of the Assembly, 25–29 January 2027, Strasbourg