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## Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy

### 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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### of the meetings to be held in Strasbourg on:

- **Monday 15 April 2024, 14:00 – 15:15, Room 9**
- **Tuesday 16 April 2024, 10:30 – 12:30, Room 9**
- **Wednesday 17 April 2024, 10:30 – 11:30, Room 5**
- **Thursday 18 April 2024, 14:00 – 15:15, Room 6**

Please also note:

**Sub-Committee on the Middle East and the Arab World, Wednesday 17 April 2024, 11:30 – 12:30, Room 9**

#### A. **Monday 15 April 2024, 14:00 – 15:15, Room 9**

##### 1. **Agenda**

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Adoption of the agenda

##### 2. **Draft minutes**

[AS/Pol (2024) PV 02, AS/Pol (2024) PV 03]

Approval of the minutes of the meetings held in Paris on 5 and 27 March 2024

##### 3. **Election of the Bureau of the Committee**

[List of the members of the Committee]

Election of the third Vice-Chairperson

##### 4. **Promoting the revised Code of Good Practice on Referendums**

*Rapporteur: Ms Isabel Meirelles, Portugal, EPP/CD*

[[Doc.15940](#), [Amendments](#)]

- Designation of a member to present the report in plenary
- Consideration of amendments

Deadline for amendments: Thursday 11 April 2024, 15:30

Debate in the Assembly: Monday 15 April 2024, afternoon sitting

**5. Relationship between the parliamentary majority and the opposition in a democracy**

*Rapporteur: Ms Elvira Kovács, Serbia, EPP/CD*

[[Doc. 15946](#), Amendments]

Consideration of amendments

Deadline for amendments: Thursday 11 April 2024, 15:30

Debate in the Assembly: Monday 15 April 2024, afternoon sitting

**6. Support for the reconstruction of Ukraine**

*Rapporteur: Mr Lulzim Basha, Albania, EPP/CD*

[[Doc. 15932](#), [Doc. 15941](#), Amendments]

Consideration of amendments

Deadline for amendments: Friday 12 April 2024, 14:30

Debate in the Assembly: Tuesday 16 April 2024, afternoon sitting

**7. The situation in Iran and the protection of Iranian human rights defenders in Council of Europe member States**

*Rapporteur: Mr Max Lucks, Germany, SOC*

Statement by the rapporteur

**B. Tuesday 16 April 2024, 10:30 – 12:30, Room 9**

**8. Application by Kosovo\* for membership of the Council of Europe**

*Rapporteur: Ms Dora Bakoyannis, Greece, EPP/CD*

[[Doc. 15958](#), Doc. XXX (Opinion JUR), Doc. XXX (Opinion EGA), Amendments]

Consideration of amendments

Deadline for amendments: Monday 15 April 2024, 10:00

Debate in the Assembly: Tuesday 16 April 2024, afternoon sitting

**C. Wednesday 17 April 2024, 10:30 – 11:30, Room 5**

**9. Call for Famagusta's return to its lawful inhabitants**

*Rapporteur: Mr Piero Fassino, Italy, SOC*

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Consideration of a preliminary draft report

**10. Strengthening democracy through participatory and deliberative processes**

*Rapporteur: Mr George Papandreou, Greece, SOC*

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Consideration of an introductory memorandum

**11. Meeting of the Committee in Oslo**

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\* Throughout this text, all reference to Kosovo, whether to the territory, institutions or population shall be understood in full compliance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo.

**D. Thursday 18 April 2024, 14:00 – 15:15, Room 6**

**12. The role of sanctions as a protective measure for human rights and democracy**

*Rapporteur: Ms Yelyzaveta Yasko, Ukraine, EPP/CD*

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- Hearing with the participation of Ms Nataliia Shapoval, Chairperson of the Kyiv School of Economics Institute (online)
- Consideration of an introductory memorandum

**13. Work programme**

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***Appointment of Committee representatives***

- Appointment of five members to the ad hoc committee of the Bureau to participate in the event organised on 6 and 7 June 2024, in Luxembourg, on “The role of national parliaments in supporting the Belarusians in exile”
- Appointment of two members to participate in the ad hoc committee of the Bureau, follow up to Resolution 2529 (2024) *The situation of the children of Ukraine* (Geneva, Switzerland, date to be confirmed)

**14. Changes in the composition of the Sub-Committees**

**15. Reply by the Committee of Ministers**

Consideration of the Committee of Ministers reply to [Recommendation 2245 \(2023\)](#) on “The Reykjavík Summit of the Council of Europe: United around values in the face of extraordinary challenges” [[Doc. 15894](#)]

**16. Next meetings**

- 30 and 31 May 2024, Oslo
- June part-session (24-28 June 2024), Strasbourg
- 9 September 2024, Paris
- October part-session (30 September to 4 October 2024), Strasbourg
- 11 December 2024, Paris