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## Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy

### Revised draft agenda 2

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 meeting to be held in Seville (Spain) on:

**Thursday, 11 May 2023 from 09:30 to 12:30 and from 14:30 to 18:00**

**Friday, 12 May 2023 from 09:30 to 13:00**

**Venue:** Sala del Almirante, Reales Alcázares de Sevilla

**Access:** Patio de Banderas, Plaza del Patio de Banderas s/n, 41004 Sevilla

#### A. Thursday, 11 May 2023 from 09:30 to 12:30

Welcome address by Mr Antonio Gutiérrez Limones, Chairperson of the Spanish delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly

1. **Agenda**

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Adoption of the agenda

2. **Minutes**

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Approval of the minutes of the meetings held in Strasbourg during the April part-session 2023

3. **Exchange of views with Spanish authorities**

With the participation of Ms Pilar Llop Cuenca, Minister of Justice of Spain

4. **The role of the Council of Europe in preventing conflicts, restoring credibility of international institutions and promoting global peace**

*Rapporteur: Ms Lesia Vasylenko, Ukraine, ALDE*

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Consideration of a draft report and adoption of a draft resolution and a draft recommendation

5. **The Reykjavik Summit of the Council of Europe: United around values in the face of extraordinary challenges**

*Rapporteur for follow-up: Ms Fiona O'Loughlin, Ireland, ALDE*

[[Recommendation 2245 \(2023\)](#), [Summit Webpage](#), AS/Per (2023) OJ 02rev]

Statement by the rapporteur for follow-up

**6. Interconnections between the Council of Europe and the European Political Community**

*Rapporteur: Mr Zsolt Németh, Hungary, EC/DA*

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- Hearing with the participation of Mr Szabolcs Horvath, Political and Legal Advisor, Cabinet Member of European Commissioner for Enlargement and Neighborhood, European Commission
- Consideration of an introductory memorandum

**B. Thursday, 11 May 2023 from 14:30 to 18:00**

**7. Strengthening relations between the Council of Europe and Latin America**

*Rapporteur: Mr Antonio Gutiérrez Limones, Spain, SOC*

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Hearing with the participation of:

- Mr Enrique Ojeda Vila, Director General of Casa América, Spain
- Ms Carmen Almendras Camargo, former Vice-Chancellor of Bolivia
- Mr Javier Velasco Villegas, Ambassador of Chile in Madrid

**8. Political consequences of the Russian Federation's aggression against Ukraine**

*Rapporteur: Mr Emanuelis Zingeris, Lithuania, EPP/CD*

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- Reference to be taken into account: "Russia's role in escalating tensions in the Republic of Moldova" (Bureau decision following the current affairs debate)
- Consideration of an introductory memorandum

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

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**C. Friday, 12 May 2023 from 09:30 to 13:00**

**10. Foreign interference: a threat to democratic security**

*Rapporteur: Ms María Valentina Martínez Ferro, Spain, EPP/CD*

Hearing with the participation of:

- Mr Nicolás De Pedro, Senior Fellow at the Institute for Statecraft, London, and former member of the Experts Pool on Russia at the European Center of Excellence for Countering Hybrid Threats (Hybrid CoE), Helsinki
- Dr Tena Prelec, Research Associate at LSEE-Research on South Eastern Europe, European Institute, London School of Economics and Political Science, Member of the Balkans in Europe Policy Advisory Group (BiEPAG), Region Head at Oxford Analytica, Brussels
- Mr Rainer Jungwirth, Team leader for research on critical infrastructure protection and hybrid threats, Joint Research Centre (JRC), European Commission, Ispra, Italy

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

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

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Consideration of an outline report

## 12. Work programme

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- **Call for candidates for:**

- a rapporteur on a statutory Opinion on the application for membership set out in the letter of 12 May 2022 addressed to the Secretary General of the Council of Europe, in line with Statutory Resolution (51) 30 [[DD\(2022\)200](#)]
- the *ad hoc* committee of the Bureau of the Assembly to participate in a Side Event (*to be confirmed subject to the agreement of the UN*) “Decent work: building a sustainable future” at the High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (18 July 2023, United Nations Headquarters, New York)  
[Concept paper AS/Soc/Inf (2023) 05]
- the *ad hoc* committee of the Bureau of the Assembly to participate in the [World Forum for Democracy on “Democracy= Peace?”](#) (Strasbourg, 6-8 November 2023)

- **Appointment of a rapporteur for opinion**

Reparation and reconciliation processes to overcome past conflicts and build a common peaceful future – the question of just and equal redress [[Doc. 15676](#)]  
*Rapporteur (for report) of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights: Lord Richard Keen (United Kingdom, EC/DA)*

## 13. Authorisations by the Committee

## 14. Other business

## 15. Next meetings

- June part-session (19-23 June 2023), Strasbourg
- 11-12 September 2023, Paris
- October part-session (9-13 October 2023), Strasbourg
- 20 October 2023, Skopje – ad hoc Sub-Committee on the Western Balkans
- 12 December 2023, Paris