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GLOBAL FORUM on

**Academic Freedom, Institutional Autonomy,
and the Future of Democracy**

**Council of Europe/Palais de l'Europe, Strasbourg
Room 5**

20 - 21 June 2019

DRAFT AGENDA

19 June - Pre-conference events

- Time tbc Meeting of the cooperation partners
- 16.00 (tbc) Meeting with speakers, the General Rapporteur, and the organizers
- Evening: Dinner for speakers, the General Rapporteur, and the organizers

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20 June

08:15¹ Registration

09:00 Welcome

Moderator: Mr Matjaž Gruden, Director of Democratic Participation, Council of Europe

Dr Ira Harkavy, Chair, International Consortium for Higher Education, Civic Responsibility and Democracy; Founding Director, Netter Center for Community Partnerships, University of Pennsylvania

Dr Francisco Guerrero Aguirre, Secretary for Strengthening Democracy, Organization of American States

Professor Ann Katherine Isaacs, Italy, Vice Chair of the Bologna Follow Up Group

Professor Sijbolt Noorda, President, Magna Charta Observatory

The Secretary General of the Council of Europe or his representative

¹ The entrance to the Council of Europe will open at 08.00; it is important participants do not all arrive at the same time and in particular not all arrive just before the opening of the conference.

09:30 ***Opening Keynote***

Academic Freedom, Institutional Autonomy and Democracy's Future

Moderator: Mr Sjur Bergan, Head of the Education Department, Council of Europe or representative of the CDPPE

Professor Liviu Matei, Provost, Central European University

10:00 ***Plenary session: Perspectives on academic freedom and institutional autonomy***

Moderators: CoE representative and Dr. Brian Murphy, The Democracy Commitment

North America: Professor Wendell Pritchett, Provost, University of Pennsylvania

Latin America: speaker to be identified by the OAS (tbc)

Australia: Professor Jim Nyland, Australian Catholic University

Europe: Professor Peter Maassen, University of Oslo

East Asia: Dr QueAnh Dang, Coventry University

11:15 Coffee Break

11:45 ***Plenary Session: How do academic freedom and institutional autonomy look from the vantage point of public authorities?***

Moderators:

Mr Sjur Bergan, Council of Europe

Dr David Maurrasse, President, Marga Inc; Director, Anchor Institutions Task Force

Dr Ligia Deca, Education Adviser to the President of Romania

Dr William D. "Bro" Adams, Senior Fellow at the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and former Chair, National Endowment for the Humanities

Dr Stefania Giannini, Assistant Director General for Education of UNESCO

10 minutes introductions each

Discussion

13:00 Lunch

14:30 ***Overview of Group Sessions***

Mr Sjur Bergan, Council of Europe

Dr Char Gray-Sorensen, Campus Compact

15:00 ***Group Sessions***

(up to eight separate groups; mostly within a fairly short distance of the main meeting room and all in the same building)

16:00 Break

16:20 Group Sessions (second set)

17:20 Return to main Forum room

17:30 ***Plenary Session: Toward a Conference Statement on Academic Freedom and Institutional Autonomy in the Light of the Democratic Mission of Higher Education***

Moderators:

Mr Sjur Bergan, Head of the Education Department, Council of Europe

Dr Philip Rogers, Senior Vice President, American Council on Education

Discussion of the draft statement

18:30 Adjourn for the day

18:45 ***Meeting of the General Rapporteur, group rapporteurs, and the organizers***

Free evening

21 June

08:15 Registration

09:00 ***Plenary Session***

Academic Freedom and Institutional Autonomy: Examples and Challenges

Moderators:

CoE representative

Dr Caryn McTighe Musil, Senior Scholar and Director of Civic Learning and Democracy Initiatives, Association of American Universities & Colleges

Panelists:

Mr Jonathan Alger, Esq., President, James Madison University

Professor Zeidan Kafifi, President, Yarmouk University, Jordan

Dr Michal Karpíšek, Secretary General of EURASHE

Dr Hilligje van't Land, Secretary General of the International Association of Universities

Discussion

10:15-10:35 Coffee Break

10:35 ***Summative Policy Panel Discussion:***

Academic Freedom and Institutional Autonomy: Where do we go from here?

Moderators: Mr Sjur Bergan, Head, Education Department, Council of Europe and
Dr Ira Harkavy, Chair, International Consortium for Higher Education, Civic
Responsibility and Democracy

Panelists:

Professor Mary Papazian, President of San José State University

Professor Sijbolt Noorda, President, Magna Charta Observatory

Dr Marie-Anne Persoons, Ministry of Education, Belgium/Flemish Community

Mr Jens Vraa Jensen, Educational International

Ms Katrina Koppel, Vice-President, European Students Union

Discussion

12:00 ***Report of the General Rapporteur***

Professor Tony Gallagher, Queen's University Belfast

Moderators: M.r Sjur Bergan, Head, Education Department, Council of Europe and
Dr Ira Harkavy, Chair, International Consortium for Higher Education, Civic
Responsibility and Democracy

Comments

12:30 ***Adoption of the conference statement***

13:00 ***Closing of the Conference***

Dr Francisco Guerrero Aguirre, Secretary for Strengthening Democracy, Organization of
American States

Dr Ira Harkavy, Chair, International Consortium for Higher Education, Civic Responsi-
bility and Democracy; Founding Director, Netter Center for Community Partnerships,
University of Pennsylvania

Mr Sjur Bergan, Head of the Education Department, Council of Europe