



**PACE fourth part-session of 2025
(29 September - 4 October 2025)**

**Hearings and exchanges of views in committees/PACE network
meetings and other events open to the public**

Monday 29 September 2025

**Committee on Social Affairs,
Health and Sustainable
Development**

**Parliamentary Network on the
situation of the children of
Ukraine**

1pm – 2pm

Room 7

Exchange of views on *Militarisation and indoctrination of Ukrainian children deported to Russia and trapped in the occupied territories*, with the participation of:

- Ms Kateryna Rashevskaya, Legal Expert at the Regional Centre for Human Rights (RCHR);
- Ms Angelina Kasyanova, Manager or Returning, Ukrainian Child Rights Network (UCRN);
- Ukrainian young man returned from Russian occupation (to be confirmed).

**Committee on Legal Affairs and
Human Rights**

2pm – 3pm

Room 10

Exchange of views on the *Statutory opinion on the Draft Convention establishing an International Claims Commission for Ukraine*, in the framework of a report prepared by Lord Richard Keen (United Kingdom, ECPA), with the participation of:

- Mr René Lefeber, Chair of the Ad hoc Committee on the Establishment of a Claims Commission for Ukraine (CAHEC) (online);
- Mr Markiyano Kliuchkovskiy, Executive Director, Register of Damage for Ukraine, Council of Europe

**Committee on Political Affairs
and Democracy**

**Sub-committee on External
Relations**

2:30pm – 3pm

Room 9

Exchange of views with the Observer delegations of Mexico and Canada.

Tuesday 30 September 2025

Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination 8:30am – 10am Room 11	Exchange of views on <i>Human rights situation of Roma and Travellers in Europe</i> with the participation of Michael O'Flaherty, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights.
Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination No Hate Parliamentary Alliance 1pm – 2pm Room 7	Hearing on <i>Addressing the mental health impact of hate speech and discrimination</i> , with the participation of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Pelin Yılık (Türkiye, NR), Rapporteur on <i>Migrants' and refugees' access to healthcare</i>; - Ms Douce Dibondo, French journalist and feminist, writer; - Mr Kristijan Grđan, Senior Policy Advisor, Human Rights, Mental Health Europe; - Mr Eben Louw, Psychologist, specialist in psychotraumatology, therapist and counselor, Germany.
Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons 2pm – 3:30pm Room 9	Exchange of views with Mr Arthur Erken, Regional Director for Europe and Central Asia, International Organization for Migration (IOM).
Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights 2:45pm – 3:30pm Room 10	Hearing on <i>Political prisoners in Belarus</i> , in the framework of the mandate of the General Rapporteur for political prisoners, Ms Azadeh Rojhan (Sweden, SOC), with the participation of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Natallia Dulina, former associate professor of Italian Language and Culture at the Minsk State Linguistic University, former political prisoner.

Wednesday 1 October 2025

<p>Women@PACE group</p> <p>1pm – 2pm</p> <p>Room 1</p>	<p>Exchange of views with HE Myriam Spiteri Debono, President of Malta.</p>
<p>Elections Division</p> <p>Parliamentary Alliance for Free and Fair Elections</p> <p>1pm – 2pm</p> <p>Room 6</p>	<p>Exchange of views on <i>Conducting and Observing Elections in the Digital Era: Implications and challenges for the Parliamentary Assembly</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Adrià Rodríguez-Pérez, Legal Advisor, Venice Commission; - Ms Meaghan Fitzgerald, Head of the Election Department, OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR).
<p>Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development</p> <p>2pm – 2:45pm</p> <p>Room 10</p>	<p>Hearing on <i>the follow-up to the report “The absolute and urgent need to end the humanitarian crisis for women, children and the hostages in Gaza”,</i> rapporteur for follow-up Ms Saskia Kluit (Netherlands, SOC), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Marc Lassouaoui, Senior Manager Outreach Europe, UNRWA; - Mr Mats Radeck, UNRWA.
<p>Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development</p> <p>2:45pm – 3:15pm</p> <p>Room 10</p>	<p>Exchange of views on the <i>European Day on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse</i>, with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Ekaterina Malareva, Legal Advisor, Children’s Rights Division - Secretariat of the Lanzarote Committee.

Thursday 2 October 2025

Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons

08:30am – 10am

Room 9

Exchange of views with Mr Gianluca Esposito, Director General of Human Rights and Rule of Law, Council of Europe.

Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media

and

Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination

2pm – 3pm

Room 9

Joint hearing on *Eliminating gender stereotypes in the media*, in the framework of a report prepared by Ms Yevheniia Kravchuk (Ukraine, ALDE), rapporteur AS/Ega, and Mr Benjamin Dalle (Belgium, EPP/CD), rapporteur AS/Cult for opinion, with the participation of:

- Mr Gilles Fontaine, Head of the Department for Market Information, and Dr Agnes Schneeberger, TV and VOD Markets Analyst, Department for Market Information, European Audiovisual Observatory;
- Ms Lénaïg Bredoux, Gender Editor, Mediapart (*to be confirmed*);

Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights

2pm – 3pm

Room 10

Hearing on *The need to modernise International Humanitarian Law*, in the framework of a report prepared by Mr Vladimir Vardanyan (Armenia, EPP/CD), with the participation of:

- Mr Marco Sassòli, Professor of International Law at the University of Geneva, Commissioner and member of the Executive Committee of the International Commission of Jurists.