

Elections Divisions

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ACTIVITIES OF THE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY IN THE ELECTORAL FIELD (13 March 2025 – 6 June 2025)

Texts adopted by the Parliamentary Assembly

- [Resolution 2593 \(2025\)](#) and [Recommendation 2292 \(2025\)](#) on “Foreign interference: a threat to democratic security in Europe” adopted on 8 April 2025.
- [Resolution \(2025\) 2596](#) on “Respect for the rule of law and the fight against corruption within the Council of Europe” adopted on 9 April 2025 (see para 6.4, 7.3, 13, 14.3)

Observation of elections by PACE, with legal support from the Venice Commission

- Presentation of [the report on the observation of the elections to the Assembly of Kosovo*](#) (9 February 2025) to the Parliamentary Assembly on 7 April 2025 (Head of delegation: Petra Bayr, Austria, SOC)
- Observation of the parliamentary elections in Albania, 11 May 2025 ([statement](#)) (Head of delegation: Simone Billi, Italy, ECPA)
- Observation of the presidential election in Poland, 18 May 2025 ([statement](#)) and 1st June 2025 ([2d round statement](#)) (Head of delegation: Iulian Bulai, Romania, ALDE)

Activities of PACE Committees

- The Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy held an exchange of views with Ms Maria Telalian, Director of the OSCE Office for Democratic Institution and Human Rights (ODIHR) on 26 May 2025 in Chania, Greece.

Conferences and seminars

- Participation of PACE ad hoc committee in the 20th European Conference of Electoral Management Bodies on Stability of Electoral Law (Vilnius, 15-16 April 2025) organised by the CDE, with contributions by Lord Blencathra (United Kingdom, ECPA), Chairperson of the Parliamentary Alliance for Free and Fair Elections (online) and Damien Cottier (Switzerland, ALDE), Rapporteur on “Elections in times of crisis”.

* All references to Kosovo, whether the territory, institutions or population, in this text shall be understood in full compliance with United Nation's Security Council Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo.

PACE electoral co-operation programmes

Albania	Durrës 25-26 March 2025	Pre-electoral workshop on “ Judicial Capacity Development on Election Dispute Resolution (EDR) ”, co-organised with the Office of the Council of Europe in Albania and PACE
	April 2025	A nationwide electoral education programme trained over 20,000 high school graduates from 335 public schools across Albania ahead of the 11 May 2025 parliamentary elections
	11 May 2025	Launch of the Complaints Tracking Platform to help the Central Election Commission to efficiently handle the electoral complaints and increase transparency in election disputes resolution. A round table with stakeholders will be organised in June 2025 (tbc) to discuss the functionalities of the Complaints Tracking Module.
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Sarajevo 24-25 April 2025	Post-election conference “2024 Local Elections – lessons for the future” on election management to assess the 2024 local elections, identify key challenges and lessons learned and propose conclusions for further improving electoral processes ahead of the next general election (2026),
	Strasbourg 2 – 4 June 2025	Study visit for the members of Central Election Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina (Legal and Audit Department, Secretary General and two members of Collegium)
Georgia	Borjomi, 9 May 2025	Two-day workshop for representatives of national and ethnic minorities from Samtskhe-Javakheti, Kvemo Kartli and Kakheti regions on improving electoral processes in minority regions of Georgia, co-organised with the Public Movement Multinational Georgia (a domestic citizen organisation)
Republic of Moldova	Chişinău 18-19 March 2025	Post-Election Analysis Conference : reflecting on electoral resilience and lessons learned in the Republic of Moldova.
		Revision of the question database for the 2025 electoral certification sessions strengthening the certification process for electoral officials, organised by the Centre for Continuous Electoral Training in view of the upcoming 2025 parliamentary elections in the Republic of Moldova.
	Chişinău 7-8 April 2025	Training of electoral officials to enhance communication abilities and skills ahead of the 2025 parliamentary elections
	April 2025	Drafting of the terms of reference for the electronic system to support the postal voting abroad for the Moldovan citizens ahead of the September 2025 parliamentary elections
		International and local experts were trained/prepared on the CoE URSO methodology on how to assess the 2024–2026 strategic programme of the Central Electoral Commission of the Republic of Moldova and the 2024-2027 strategic programme of the Centre of Continuous Electoral Training.
	Chişinău 14 May 2025	Round table on combatting sexism, hate speech and gender-based violence within electoral processes
	Live-streamed 30 April 2025 and 21 May 2025	E-hubs : electoral dialogues between the representatives of the Centre for Continuous Electoral Training and CoE international electoral consultants for informing potential voters and training of electoral officials in different electoral-related topics, such as alternative voting methods, elections in the EU parliament, vote of foreign citizens

	26-29 May 2025	Training for trainers: Training session planned to complete the Register of electoral trainers and enhance the professional capacities of potential trainers and members of Electoral Management Bodies ahead of the September 2025 parliamentary elections in the Republic of Moldova.
	Chişinău 28 May 2025	Pre-electoral workshop ahead of the 2025 parliamentary elections, co-organised by the Central Election Commission of the Republic of Moldova and the Office of the CoE in the Republic of Moldova and PACE.
	Chişinău 28 May 2025	Pre-electoral training on “Peculiarities of examination and settlement of electoral disputes ahead of the Parliamentary election of the Republic of Moldova”, co-organised with the National Institute of Justice of the Republic of Moldova, the Office of the Council of Europe in the Republic of Moldova and PACE.
Ukraine	March 2025	Production of an online training course on balanced representation and participation of women and men in post-war political and electoral processes in Ukraine for political parties and candidates (“On Gender Equality in Politics”) accessible on the educational and awareness raising online platform “ CEC: prosvita ”,