



Albanian Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe
Program of activities

no	Activity	Responsible Institutions	Date	Place
1	Ministerial Meeting, Albania takes over the Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers of Council of Europe	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	23 May 2012	Strasbourg
2	Visit of the Secretary General Mr. Thorbjørn Jagland in Tirana	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	24 May 2012	Tirana
3	Reception given by the Deputy Prime Minister & Minister of Foreign Affairs H.E. Mr. Edmond Haxhinasto for the Diplomatic Corps accredited to Tirana on the occasion of Albanian Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	24 May 2012	Tirana
4	Meeting of the Bureau and the Standing Committee of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe	Albanian Parliament/Secretariat of the Albanian Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the CoE	24 - 25 May 2012	Tirana
5	Visit to Albania of the President of the European Court of Human Rights, Sir. Nicolas Bratza	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Albanian Constitutional Court, Ministry of Justice.	7 June 2012	Tirana
6	First meeting of the Gender Equality Commission (GEC) Participation of an Albanian high level official on behalf of the Albanian Chairmanship of the CM of the CoE	Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities	6-8 June 2012	Strasbourg
7	Meeting of the Bureau of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe	Ministry of Interior, Office of the Local Government	14 -15 June 2012	Tirana

8	President of the Committee of Ministers, Edmond Haxhinasto presents Albanian Chairmanship priorities at the Permanent Council of OSCE.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	14 – 15 June 2012	Vienna
9	Regional Seminar with the theme “Democracy must work for children”	Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, Polish Embassy in Tirana, CoE Office in Tirana and UNICEF	14 – 15 June 2012	Tirana
10	First Round Table on the Council of Europe Strategy for the Rights of the Child 2012-2015. A high representative from Albanian Government attending the meeting on behalf of the Albanian Chairmanship of the CM of the CoE	Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities	19-20 June 2012	Strasbourg
11	The launching of the project “Introduction to the decisions of the European Court of Human Rights” for Albanian Students of Jurisprudence	Ministry of Education	25-26 June 2012	Albania
12	Participation of the Prime Minister, Mr. Sali Berisha in the Parliamentary Assembly Session	The Cabinet of the Prime Minister / Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Albanian Delegation to PACE	26 June 2012	Strasbourg
13	Workshop on Sport infrastructures (public & private partnership and sponsoring on sport facilities) for youth	Ministry of Culture, Tourism, Youth and Sports	25-27 June 2012	Tirana
14	Workshop on the occasion of the 10 th anniversary of the “Code of Good Practice in Electoral Matters” of the Venice Commission	Albanian Central Electoral Commission (<i>the main responsible institution</i>)/Albanian Parliament	2-3 July 2012	Tirana
15	Ceremony on the occasion of the 17 th anniversary of the Albanian membership to the CoE.	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Office of Council of Europe in Tirana	13 July 2012	Tirana
16	Workshop on the regionalisation situation in Albania, the progress and challenges	Ministry of Interior, Office of Local Government	27 July 2012	Tirana
17	“Peace Camp” for young people from South Eastern Europe of CoE.	Ministry of Tourism, Culture, Youth and Sports	September 2012	Tirana

18	“Tribute from European youth to those who saved the honour of humanity” on the commemoration of the Holocaust (in the framework of the program “Education on the Human Rights and the Prevention of the Crimes against Humanity”	Albanian Ministry of Education and State Archives	5-6 September 2012	Tirana
19	Council of Europe 2012 Exchange on the religious dimension of intercultural dialogue	Ministry of Culture, Tourism, Youth and Sports	3-4 September 2012	Albania
20	Workshop: “Promoting human rights at local level-the increase of awareness among the authorities at local and regional levels”.	Ministry of Interior, Office of Local Government	5 September 2012	Tirana
21	Conference on the outcomes of the 3-years cooperation between the CoE and Albanian Government for the fight against corruption	The Cabinet of the Prime Minister	10 September 2012	Tirana
22	Meeting of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination in conjunction with the PACE network of contact parliamentarians. Subject: “The role of the Parliaments and Parliamentarians in signing, ratifying and implementing international treaties”.	Albanian Parliament Albanian Delegation to PACE	13-14 September , 2012	Tirana
23	Conference on Council of Europe Regional Cooperation in the field of Cultural Heritage	Ministry of Tourism, Culture, Youth and Sports	28-29 September 2012	Albania
24	Conference Youth Policy Cooperation in South East Europe: focus on recognition of youth work & non-formal learning	Ministry of Tourism, Culture, Youth and Sports.	2-3 October 2012	Tirana
25	Workshop “Increasing the democratic participation of the citizens”.	Ministry of Interior, Office of Local Government / Tirana Municipality	5 October 2012	Tirana

26	“The First Strasbourg World Forum for Democracy”. Albanian Chairmanship represented by the Albanian Prime Minister Mr. Sali Berisha	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Cabinet of the Prime Minister	8 October 2012 (Opening Ceremony)	Strasbourg
27	Different events on the occasion of the Congress of Local authorities	Ministry of Interior, Office of Local government	20-22 October 2012	Strasbourg
28	High level conference on “The Role of the Decentralisation in consolidating Albanian democracy and its European integration”.	Ministry of Interior, Office of Local Government	30-31 October 2012	Tirana
29	Conference/Workshop on “the implementation of the European Convention of Human Rights in the member countries” with the participation of the government agents or representatives of Constitutional or High Courts of Justice from 47 countries and NGO.	Ministry of Justice/General State Advocate	October 2012	Albania
30	High Level Conference on the Diversity in Europe, as an asset for the future; Promoting intercultural dialogue; the role of education and the contribution of the youth to promoting mutual understanding, tolerance and better integration in society – as a follow up of the report on “Living Together”	Albanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs	9 November 2012	Tirana