

DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF DEMOCRACY  
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*Democratic Governance Department*  
*Division of Electoral Assistance*

**Workshop on “Ensuring the integrity during the electoral process”**  
**Vienna, Austria**  
**21 – 22 November 2018**

**Venue: Steigenberger Hotel Herrenhof, Herrengasse 10, 1010 Vienna, Austria**

**Room : Torberg**

**Agenda**

**In cooperation with:**



## Tuesday, 20 November 2018

All the day    **Arrival of participants**

## Wednesday, 21 November 2018

### Session 1: Chair and moderation: Mr Gennadiy Kosyak, Deputy Head of Division, Division of Electoral Assistance, Council of Europe

Opening session and introduction to the Workshop methodology

10:00 – 10:30    “Overview of current themes and direction of electoral cooperation implemented by the Council of Europe, in particular electoral assistance division”

10:30 – 11:00    Coffee break

11:00 – 12:30    “Citizens voting from abroad - the Austrian experience”  
**Mr Gregor Wenda**, Federal Ministry of the Interior, Republic of Austria

12:30 – 14:00    Lunch

### Session 2: Chair and moderation: Mr Gennadiy Kosyak, Deputy Head of Division, Division of Electoral Assistance, Council of Europe

14:30 – 16:00    “The role of the political parties to ensure free and fair elections (financing, etc.)”  
**Mr Bertrand Simon**, Professor, University Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne

16:00 – 16:30    Coffee break

16.30 – 18:00    “Media campaign and electoral process”  
**Mr Bertrand Simon**, Professor, University Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne

## Thursday, 22 November 2018

### Session 3: Chair and moderation: Mr Gennadiy Kosyak, Deputy Head of Division, Division of Electoral Assistance, Council of Europe

- 09:30 – 11:00 “The voter registration, key element of the elections”  
**Dr. Irena Hadžiabdić**, Member of the Central Election Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break
- 11:30 – 12:30 “The gender equality during the electoral process”  
**Dr. Irena Hadžiabdić**, Member of the Central Election Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 12:30 – 14:00 Lunch

### Session 4: Chair and moderation: Mr Gennadiy Kosyak, Deputy Head of Division, Division of Electoral Assistance, Council of Europe

- 14:30 – 16:00 “Strategic planning and prioritisation of electoral cooperation and proposed methodology based on principles of usefulness, relevance, sustainability and ownership by the beneficiary (URSO for electoral cooperation)”  
**Mr Daniele Del Bianco**, Director of ISIG and **Ms Ramona Velea**, Researcher ISIG
- 16:00 – 16:30 Coffee break
- 16:30 – 17:30 “Strategic planning and prioritisation of electoral cooperation and proposed methodology based on principles of usefulness, relevance, sustainability and ownership by the beneficiary (URSO for electoral cooperation)” - continued  
**Mr Daniele Del Bianco**, Director of ISIG and **Ms Ramona Velea**, Researcher ISIG
- 17:30 – 18:00 Closing remarks  
**Mr Gennadiy Kosyak**, Deputy Head of Division, Division of Electoral Assistance, Council of Europe

## Friday, 23 November 2018

All the day **Departure of the participants**