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Agenda[1]

1. Adopted by the Assembly on 21 January 2019.

Abbreviations

Bur: Bureau of the Assembly
Per: Standing Committee
Pol: Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy
Jur: Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights
Soc: Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development
Mig: Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons
Cult: Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media
Ega: Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination
Mon: Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee)
Pro: Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs
Cdh: Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

EPP/CD: Group of the European People's Party
SOC: Socialists, Democrats and Greens Group
EC: European Conservatives Group
ALDE: Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe
UEL: Group of the Unified European Left
FDG: Free Democrats Group
NR: Representatives not belonging to a political group

Symbols

- Presentation, statement
- Deadline for tabling documents
- Lists (speakers, questions)
- Votes

Meetings outside the Chamber

Joint Committee
Thursday: 12:00-13:00

Bureau of the Assembly
Monday: 08:00-09:30
Friday: 08:30-10:00

Committees
Monday: 14:00-15:00
Tuesday: 08:30-10:00
Tuesday: 14:00-15:30
Wednesday: 14:00-15:30
Thursday: 08:30-10:00
Thursday: 14:00-15:30

Political groups
Monday: 09:30-11:30
Monday: 15:15-17:00
Wednesday: 08:30-10:00

Monday 21 January 2019

Sitting No. 1 *(11:30-13:00)*

1. Opening of the part-session

1.1. Examination of credentials

🗀 List of delegations:
- o (Doc. 14800)

1.2. Election of the President of the Assembly (AS/Inf (2019) 03)

1.3. Election of the Vice-Presidents of the Assembly (AS/Inf (2019) 01)

1.4. Appointment of members of committees (Commissions (2019) 01 + Add. 1)

1.5. Requests for debate:

1.5.1. Urgent procedure debate: “The escalation of tensions around the Sea of Azov and the Kerch Strait and threats to European security”

1.5.2. Urgent procedure debate: “The worsening situation of opposition politicians in Turkey: what to do to protect their fundamental rights in a Council of Europe member State?”

1.6. Adoption of the agenda

1.7. Approval of the minutes of the Standing Committee (Helsinki, 23 November 2018) (AS/Per (2018) PV 03)

2. Debate

2.1. Progress report of the Bureau and the Standing Committee

🗀 Presentation by:
- o Mr Ian LIDDELL-GRAINGER (United Kingdom, EC), Rapporteur AS/Bur (Doc. 14796, Doc. 14796 Add. 1, Doc. 14796 Add. 2, Doc. 14799)

2.2. Observation of the presidential election in Georgia (28 October and 28 November 2018)

🗀 Presentation by:
- o Mr Andrej HUNKO (Germany, UEL), Rapporteur AS/Bur (Doc. 14784)

2.3. Observation of the early parliamentary elections in Armenia (9 December 2018)

🗀 Presentation by:
- o Mr Aleksander POCIEJ (Poland, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Bur (Doc. 14801)

🗐 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Monday 21 January, 10:00)

Sitting No. 2 *(17:00-19:00)*

3. Debate (continued)

3.1. Progress report of the Bureau and the Standing Committee

3.2. Observation of the presidential election in Georgia (28 October and 28 November 2018)

3.3. Observation of the early parliamentary elections in Armenia (9 December 2018)

🗐 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Monday 21 January, 10:00)
🔔 [possibly] Vote

4. Debate

4.1. Free debate

🗐 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Monday 21 January, 12:00)

Tuesday 22 January 2019

Sitting No. 3 *(10:00-13:00)*

5. Elections *(10:00-13:00)*

5.1. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

- List of candidates in respect of:
  - Italy and Sweden (Doc. 14776, Doc. 14663, Doc. 14796 Add. 2)

6. Debate

6.1. Updating guidelines to ensure fair referendums in Council of Europe member States

- Presentation by:
  - Dame Cheryl GILLAN (United Kingdom, EC), Rapporteur AS/Pol (Doc. 14791)
- Statement by:
  - Mr Gianni BUQUICCHIO, President of the European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Monday 21 January, 18:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 21 January, 16:00)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14791)

7. Address *(12:00-13:00)*

7.1. Communication from the Committee of Ministers

- Presentation by:
  - Mr Timo SOINI, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Finland, Chairman of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe
- Parliamentary question:
  - (Doc. 14797)
- Questions (deadline for registration: Monday 21 January, 18:00)

Sitting No. 4 *(15:30-20:30)*

8. Elections (continued) *(15:30-17:00)*

8.1. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

9. Address *(15:30-16:30)*

9.1. Communication from the Secretary General of the Council of Europe

- Presentation by:
  - Mr Thorbjørn JAGLAND
- Questions

10. Debate

10.1. Sergei Magnitsky and beyond – fighting impunity by targeted sanctions

- Presentation by:
  - Lord Donald ANDERSON (United Kingdom, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Jur (Doc. 14661)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Tuesday 22 January, 12:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 21 January, 16:00)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14661)

11. Debate

11.1. Compatibility of Sharia law with the European Convention on Human Rights: can States Parties to the Convention be signatories to the "Cairo Declaration"?

- Presentation by:
  - Mr Antonio GUTIÉRREZ (Spain, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Jur (Doc. 14787, Doc. 14787 Add.)
  - Ms Maryvonne BLONDIN (France, SOC), Rapporteur for opinion AS/Pol (Doc. 14803)
  - Mr Constantinos EFSTATHIOU (Cyprus, SOC), Rapporteur for opinion AS/Cult (Doc. 14804)
  - Mr Manuel TORNARE (Switzerland, SOC), Rapporteur for opinion AS/Ega (Doc. 14805)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Tuesday 22 January, 12:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 21 January, 16:00)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14787)

Wednesday 23 January 2019

Sitting No. 5 *(10:00-13:00)*

12. [Possibly 2nd round] Elections *(10:00-13:00)*

12.1. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

13. Joint debate

13.1. Media freedom as a condition for democratic elections

- Presentation by:
  - Ms Gülsün BİLGEHAN (Turkey), Rapporteur AS/Cult (Doc. 14669)
  - Ms Olena SOTNYK (Ukraine, ALDE), Rapporteur for opinion AS/Pol (Doc. 14809)

13.2. Public service media in the context of disinformation and propaganda

- Presentation by:
  - Mr Petri HONKONEN (Finland, ALDE), Rapporteur AS/Cult (Doc. 14780)

- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Tuesday 22 January, 19:30)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 22 January, 10:30)

14. Address *(12:00-13:00)*

14.1. Mr Sauli NIINISTÖ, President of Finland

Speech (12:00-12:20)

Questions and replies (12:20-13:00)

- Questions

Sitting No. 6 *(15:30-20:00)*

15. [Possibly 2nd round] Elections (continued) *(15:30-17:00)*

15.1. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

16. Joint debate (continued) *(15:30-16:30)*

16.1. Media freedom as a condition for democratic elections

16.2. Public service media in the context of disinformation and propaganda

- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Tuesday 22 January, 19:30)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 22 January, 10:30)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14669)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14780)

17. Debate

17.1. Internet governance and human rights

- Presentation by:
  - Mr Andres HERKEL (Estonia, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Cult (Doc. 14789)

- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Wednesday 23 January, 12:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 22 January, 16:00)
- Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 14789)

18. Joint debate

18.1. Discrimination in access to employment

- Presentation by:
  - Mr Damien THIÉRY (Belgium, ALDE), Rapporteur AS/Ega (Doc. 14666)

18.2. For a disability-inclusive workforce

- Presentation by:
  - Mr Adão SILVA (Portugal, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Ega (Doc. 14665)

- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Wednesday 23 January, 12:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 22 January, 16:00)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14666)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14665)

Thursday 24 January 2019

Sitting No. 7 *(10:00-12:00)*

19. Debate under urgent procedure

19.1. The escalation of tensions around the Sea of Azov and the Kerch Strait and threats to European security

- Presentation by:
  - Mr Andreas NICK (Germany, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Pol (Doc. 14811)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Wednesday 23 January, 19:30)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 23 January, 10:30)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14811)

Sitting No. 8 *(15:30-20:00)*

20. Debate under urgent procedure

20.1. The worsening situation of opposition politicians in Turkey: what can be done to protect their fundamental rights in a Council of Europe member State?

- Presentation by:
  - Ms Marianne MIKKO (Estonia, SOC), Co-Rapporteur AS/Mon (Doc. 14812, Doc. 14812 Add.)
  - Mr Nigel EVANS (United Kingdom, EC), Co-Rapporteur AS/Mon (Doc. 14812, Doc. 14812 Add.)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 24 January, 11:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 23 January, 16:00)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14812)

21. Debate

21.1. The progress of the Assembly's monitoring procedure (January-December 2018) and the periodic review of the honouring of obligations by Iceland and Italy

- Presentation by:
  - Sir Roger GALE (United Kingdom, EC), Rapporteur AS/Mon (Doc. 14792 Part 1, Doc. 14792 Part 2 (IS), Doc. 14792 Part 3 (IT))
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 24 January, 11:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 23 January, 16:00)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14792 Part 1)

22. Debate

22.1. Promoting the rights of persons belonging to national minorities

- Presentation by:
  - Mr Viorel Riceard BADEA (Romania, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Ega (Doc. 14779)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 24 January, 11:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 23 January, 16:00)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 14779)

Friday 25 January 2019

Sitting No. 9 *(10:00-13:00)*

23. Debate

23.1. Withdrawing nationality as a measure to combat terrorism: a human rights-compatible approach?

- Presentation by:
  - Ms Tineke STRIK (Netherlands, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Jur (Doc. 14790)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 24 January, 19:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Thursday 24 January, 10:30)
- Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 14790)

24. Debate

24.1. Improving follow-up to CPT recommendations: enhanced role of the Parliamentary Assembly and of national parliaments

- Presentation by:
  - Mr Damir ARNAUT (Bosnia and Herzegovina), Rapporteur AS/Jur (Doc. 14788)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 24 January, 19:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Thursday 24 January, 10:30)
- Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 14788)

25. Progress report

25.1. Progress report of the Bureau and the Standing Committee (continued)

- Addendum:
  - (Doc. 14796 Add. 3)

26. Constitution of the Standing Committee

27. Closure of the part-session