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## **First part of the 2019 Ordinary Session (21-25 January 2019)**

**Agenda<sup>1</sup>**

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1. Adopted by the Assembly on 21 January 2019.



## Abbreviations

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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

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

## Meetings outside the Chamber

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### 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

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# Monday 21 January 2019

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

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### 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)

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### 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)

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## Tuesday 22 January 2019

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

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

##### 5.1. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

- List of candidates in respect of:
  - o 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:
  - o Dame Cheryl GILLAN (United Kingdom, EC), Rapporteur AS/Pol ([Doc. 14791](#))
- Statement by:
  - o 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:
  - o Mr Timo SOINI, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Finland, Chairman of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe
- Parliamentary question:
  - o ([Doc. 14797](#))
- Questions (deadline for registration: Monday 21 January, 18:00)

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

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#### 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:
  - o Mr Thorbjørn JAGLAND
- Questions

#### 10. Debate

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

- Presentation by:
  - o 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](#))

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## Wednesday 23 January 2019

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

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#### 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:
  - o Ms Gülsün BİLGEHAN (Turkey), Rapporteur AS/Cult ([Doc. 14669](#))
  - o 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:
  - o 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)

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#### 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:
  - o 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](#))

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## Thursday 24 January 2019

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

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#### 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:
  - o 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)

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#### 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:
  - o Ms Marianne MIKKO (Estonia, SOC), Co-Rapporteur AS/Mon ([Doc. 14812](#), [Doc. 14812 Add.](#))
  - o 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:
  - o 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:
  - o 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](#))

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## Friday 25 January 2019

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

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#### 23. Debate


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

Presentation by:

- o 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:

- o 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:

- o ([Doc. 14796 Add. 3](#))

#### 26. Constitution of the Standing Committee

#### 27. Closure of the part-session