



## Recommendation 2200 (2021)<sup>1</sup>

# Urgent need for electoral reform in Belarus

Parliamentary Assembly

1. The Parliamentary Assembly refers to its [Resolution 2371 \(2021\)](#) “Urgent need for electoral reform in Belarus”. It invites the Committee of Ministers to:

- 1.1. continue to closely follow the situation in Belarus;
- 1.2. adopt measures to complement the [Council of Europe Action Plan for Belarus 2019-2021](#) with targeted action of primary importance for constructing transparent and democratic institutions in Belarus, including an electoral reform, with a view to bringing the electoral legislation into line with relevant European and international standards, with the involvement of the European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission) and the Assembly;
- 1.3. implement the above-mentioned measures as soon as it becomes feasible, following a clear commitment by the Belarusian authorities to engage in a democratic transition process.

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1. *Assembly debate* on 21 April 2021 (12th sitting) (see [Doc. 15253](#), report of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy, rapporteur: Lord David Blencathra). *Text adopted by the Assembly* on 21 April 2021 (12th sitting).

