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First part of the 2025 Ordinary Session (27-31 January 2025)

Agenda[1]

1. Adopted by the Assembly on 27 January 2025. Revised on 29 January 2025.

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

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

Symbols

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

Meetings outside the Chamber

Joint Committee
Thursday: 15:00-16:00

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

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

Political groups
Monday: 09:30-11:30
Monday: 17:45-19:30
Wednesday: 08:30-10:00

Monday 27 January 2025

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

1. Opening of the part-session

1.1. Credentials

🗀 List of delegations:
- (Doc. 16097 rev)

1.2. Election of the President of the Assembly (AS/Inf (2025) 03)

1.3. Election of the Vice-Presidents of the Assembly (AS/Inf (2025) 01)

1.4. Appointment of members of committees (Commissions (2025) 01 rev and Add. 1)

1.5. Requests for debate:

1.5.1. Urgent procedure debate: "Opinion on a draft convention for the protection of the profession of lawyer"

1.5.2. Urgent procedure debate: "The urgent need for free and fair elections in Belarus"

1.5.3. Urgent procedure debate: "European commitment to a just and lasting peace in Ukraine"

1.6. Adoption of the agenda

1.7. Approval of the minutes of the Standing Committee (Luxembourg, 29 November 2024) (AS/Per (2024) PV 03)

2. Joint debate

2.1. Progress report of the Bureau and the Standing Committee

🗀 Presentation by:
- Mr Pablo HISPÁN (Spain, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Bur (Doc. 16096, Doc. 16096 Add. 1, Doc. 16096 Add. 2, Doc. 16096 Add. 3, Doc. 16096 Add. 4)

2.2. Observation of the parliamentary elections in Georgia (26 October 2024)

🗀 Presentation by:
- Mr Iulian BULAI (Romania, ALDE), Rapporteur AS/Bur (Doc. 16079)

2.3. The progress of the Assembly's monitoring procedure (January-December 2024)

🗀 Presentation by:
- Ms Zanda KALNIŅA-LUKAŠEVICA (Latvia, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Mon (Doc. 16086)

🗐 List of speakers (deadline for registration: Monday 27 January, 10:00)

🕒 Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 27 January, 10:00)

3. Address by His All Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch BARTHOLOMEW I *(12:15-13:00)*

Sitting No. 2 *(15:30-17:45)*

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

4.1. Communication from the Committee of Ministers

🗀 Presentation by:
- Mr Xavier BETTEL, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade of Luxembourg, Chair of the Committee of Ministers

🗐 Questions (deadline for registration: Monday 27 January, 12:00)

5. Joint debate (continued)

5.1. Progress report of the Bureau and the Standing Committee

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Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 27 January, 10:00)
Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 16086)

Tuesday 28 January 2025

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

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

6.1. Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

- Lists of candidates:
  - Andorra (Doc. 16085, Doc. 16096 Add. 2)
  - Armenia (Doc. 16080, Doc. 16096 Add. 2)
  - Slovenia (Doc. 16027, Doc. 16096 Add. 2)

7. Debate

7.1. The need for a renewed rules-based international order

- Presentation by:
  - Ms Dora BAKOYANNIS (Greece, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Pol (Doc. 16087)
- Statement by:
  - Mr Marko BOŠNJAK, President of the European Court of Human Rights
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Monday 27 January, 16:45)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 27 January, 16:00)
- Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 16087)

Sitting No. 4 *(15:30-20:00)*

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

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

- Presentation by:
  - Mr Alain BERSET, Secretary General of the Council of Europe
- Questions (deadline for registration: Tuesday 28 January, 12:00)

9. Debate

9.1. The absolute and urgent need to end the humanitarian crisis for women, children and the hostages in Gaza

- Presentation by:
  - Ms Saskia KLUIT (Netherlands, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Soc (Doc. 16093, Doc. 16093 Add.)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Tuesday 28 January, 12:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 27 January, 16:00)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 16093)

10. Debate

10.1. Addressing risks to human rights and the rule of law posed by mercenaries and private military and security companies: a call for comprehensive regulation

- Presentation by:
  - Mr Andrea ORLANDO (Italy), Rapporteur AS/Jur (Doc. 16092)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Tuesday 28 January, 12:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Monday 27 January, 16:00)
- Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 16092)

Wednesday 29 January 2025

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

11. Debate

11.1. Multiperspectivity in remembrance and history education for democratic citizenship

- Presentation by:
  - Ms Luz MARTINEZ SEIJO (Spain, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Cult (Doc. 16090)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Tuesday 28 January, 19:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 28 January, 10:30)
- Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 16090)

12. Commemoration of the 80th anniversary of the liberation of the Auschwitz-Birkenau camp. [2] *(12:00-13:00)*

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

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

13.1. Mr Luc FRIEDEN, Prime Minister of Luxembourg

- Questions (deadline for registration: Wednesday 29 January, 12:00)

14. Debate

14.1. Challenge, on substantive grounds, of the still unratified credentials of the parliamentary delegation of Georgia

- Presentation by:
  - Ms Zanda KALNIŅA-LUKAŠEVICA (Latvia, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Mon (Doc. 16104)
  - Ms Petra BAYR (Austria, SOC), Rapporteur for opinion AS/Pro (Doc. 16107)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Wednesday 29 January, 12:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 28 January, 19:00)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 16104)

15. Debate

15.1. Immigration, one of the answers to Europe's demographic ageing

- Presentation by:
  - Ms Kate OSAMOR (United Kingdom, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Mig (Doc. 16072)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Wednesday 29 January, 12:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Tuesday 28 January, 16:00)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 16072)

2. See separate programme, AS/Inf(2025)05.

Thursday 30 January 2025

Sitting No. 7 *(10:00-13:00)*

16. Debate under urgent procedure

16.1. Opinion on a draft convention for the protection of the profession of lawyer

- Presentation by:
  - Mr Vladimir VARDANYAN (Armenia, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Jur (Doc. 16102, Doc. 16094)
- Statement by:
  - The Rt Hon. Lord HERMER KC, Attorney General for England and Wales and Advocate General for Northern Ireland
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Wednesday 29 January, 19:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 29 January, 10:30)
- Vote on a draft opinion (Doc. 16102)

17. Debate under urgent procedure

17.1. The urgent need for free and fair elections in Belarus

- Presentation by:
  - Mr Ryszard PETRU (Poland, ALDE), Rapporteur AS/Pol (Doc. 16105)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Wednesday 29 January, 19:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 29 January, 10:30)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 16105)

18. Debate under urgent procedure

18.1. European commitment to a just and lasting peace in Ukraine

- Presentation by:
  - Ms Miapetra KUMPULA-NATRI (Finland, SOC), Rapporteur AS/Pol (Doc. 16106)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Wednesday 29 January, 19:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 29 January, 16:30)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 16106)

Sitting No. 8 *(16:00-20:00)*

19. Debate

19.1. Women in the economy: employment, entrepreneurship and gender-responsive budgeting

- Presentation by:
  - Ms Sena Nur ÇELİK KANAT (Türkiye, NR), Rapporteur AS/Ega (Doc. 16068)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 30 January, 12:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 29 January, 16:30)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 16068)

20. Debate

20.1. Regulating content moderation on social media to safeguard freedom of expression

- Presentation by:
  - Ms Valentina GRIPPO (Italy, ALDE), Rapporteur AS/Cult (Doc. 16089)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 30 January, 12:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Wednesday 29 January, 16:30)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 16089)

Friday 31 January 2025

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

21. Debate

21.1. “Long Covid” and access to the right to health

- Presentation by:
  - Ms Carmen LEYTE (Spain, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Soc (Doc. 16088)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 30 January, 19:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Thursday 30 January, 10:30)
- Vote on a draft resolution (Doc. 16088)

22. Debate

22.1. Overcoming age-based discrimination against older persons

- Presentation by:
  - Ms Andrea EDER-GITSCHTHALER (Austria, EPP/CD), Rapporteur AS/Ega (Doc. 16091)
- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 30 January, 19:00)
- Amendments (deadline for tabling: Thursday 30 January, 10:30)
- Votes on a draft resolution and a draft recommendation (Doc. 16091)

23. Free debate

- List of speakers (deadline for registration: Thursday 30 January, 19:00)

24. Progress report (continued)

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

- Addendum:
  - (Doc. 16096 Add. 5)

25. Constitution of the Standing Committee

25.1. Appointment of the members of the Standing Committee (Commissions (2025) 02)

26. Closure of the part-session