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Activities of the Assembly's Bureau and Standing Committee (3 October 2025-25 January 2026)

Progress report
Bureau of the Assembly
Rapporteur: Mr Iulian BULAI, Romania, Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe

1. Introduction

At its meeting on 3 October, the Bureau appointed me as rapporteur for this report, which covers its activities over the period from the last Bureau meeting of the fourth part-session of 2025 (Friday 3 October) to the pre-session Bureau meeting of the first part-session of 2026 (Monday 26 January).

The present report includes the decisions taken at the Bureau meetings of 3 October in Strasbourg, 4 November in Strasbourg, 20 November in Chisinau and 11 December in Paris. Chapter 2 presents a list of decisions that were either already ratified by the Standing Committee on 21 November in Chisinau, or which do not require ratification. Chapter 3 presents the activities of the Standing Committee on 21 November. Chapter 4 lists the decisions taken on 11 December that require ratification at the opening of the 2026 first part-session of the Assembly.

An addendum to this report will be issued after the Bureau meeting of 26 January, which will include decisions to be ratified by the Assembly at the opening of the first part-session of 2026. Another addendum will be issued after the Bureau meeting of 30 January. It will only include the decisions to be ratified by the Assembly on the same day, notably the references and transmissions to committees, which will have been approved by the Bureau.

The report of the Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights presenting the conclusions of the committee on the lists of candidates submitted by Cyprus and the Netherlands, is published as Addendum 2 to this report.

Addendum 3 to this report presents the activities of the election observations in 2025.

The Bureau will hold its next meeting on Monday 2 March in Paris.

2. Activities of the Bureau since the last part-session and decisions not requiring ratification by the Assembly

2.1. Fourth part-session of 2025 (Strasbourg, 29 September-3 October)

On 3 October, the Bureau heard a statement by the Secretary General of the Assembly and discussed the follow-up to the part-session. The Bureau instructed the Secretary General of the Assembly to prepare, together with the General Rapporteur on the Russian democratic forces, a memorandum on modalities to implement the decisions contained in Resolution 2621 (2025).

2.2. Meeting of the Standing Committee (Chisinau, 21 November)

2.2.1. Draft agenda

On 3 October, the Bureau took note of the draft agenda which was then updated on 20 November.

2.2.2. Requests for current affairs debates

On 20 November, the Bureau took note of the request of SOC, EPP/CD, ALDE and UEL groups to hold a current affairs debate on *Citizens' mobilisation in the defence of human rights and democracy: recent developments in Latvia,* decided to recommend to the Standing Committee to hold this debate and appointed Mr Edmunds Cepurītis (Latvia, SOC) as the first speaker.

2.2.3. Follow-up to the Standing Committee

On 11 December, the Bureau approved the follow-up proposals presented by the Secretary General of the Assembly.

2.3. First part-session of 2026 (Strasbourg, 26-30 January)

On 20 November, the Bureau drew up the preliminary draft agenda for the first part-session of 2026 and updated it at its meeting on 11 December.

On 11 December, the Bureau took note of the requests to hold debates under the urgent procedure on:

– *65th anniversary of the European Social Charter,* requested by the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development;

– *Ensuring accountability, humanitarian protection and respect for international law in Gaza and the West Bank after the ceasefire*, requested by the UEL group;

– *Preserving the integrity of the European Convention on Human Rights system*, requested by the political groups.

On 11 December, the Bureau also took note of the request to hold a current affairs debate on *Safeguarding the system of international justice,* requested by the political groups.

2.4. References and transmissions to committees

On 3 October, the Bureau considered and approved the references and transmissions to committees as presented in Doc. 16257 Add.3, ratified by the Assembly the same day.

On 20 November, the Bureau considered and approved the following references and transmissions to committees listed in part 2.4.1, which were subsequently ratified by the Standing Committee.

2.4.1. References to committees

– *Advancing a shared European vision through arts and leadership education*: reference to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy, Doc. 16132, motion for a resolution: *to be taken into account* in the preparation of the report on "The promotion of democratic security in Europe through soft power";

– *Need to protect election observers*, Doc. 16241, motion for a recommendation: reference to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *for report;*

– *On the road to parity: supporting young women in politics*, Doc. 16256, motion for a resolution: reference to the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination for report;

– *Baltic Sea security challenges,* Doc. 16262, motion for a resolution: reference to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *for report;*

– *Democracy, rule of law, and inclusive dialogue in Türkiye in light of the current political situation*, Doc. 16263, motion for a resolution: reference to the Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee) *to be taken into account* in the preparation of the report on "The honouring of obligations and commitments by Türkiye";

– *Media freedom in decline in Albania,* Doc. 16264, motion for a resolution: reference to the Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee) *to be taken into account* in the preparation of the report on the "Post-monitoring dialogue with Albania";

– *Restricting citizenship rules: social cohesion and human rights at stake*, Doc. 16274, motion for a resolution: reference to the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons *for report*;

– *Safeguarding creativity and education in the age of generative artificial intelligence*, Doc. 16275, motion for a resolution: reference to the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media *for report*;

– *65th anniversary of the European Social Charter:* Doc. 16284, motion for a resolution: reference to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for report;*

– *European Convention on Human Rights*: 75 years and beyond, Bureau decision: reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for report*.

2.4.2. Modification of a reference

During the reference period, the Bureau also approved the following request:

– *Digital transformation: the role of the OECD in evaluating the impact of artificial intelligence (AI) on the future of work* (former title: The activities of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)), Doc. 16055, motion for a resolution: reference to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *for report* and to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for opinion*.

2.4.3. Extension of references

During the reference period, the Bureau also approved the following requests for extension of references:

– *Threats to life and safety of journalists and human rights defenders in Azerbaijan,* Doc. 15521, motion for a resolution, reference 4659 of 24 June 2022 (extended on 24 May 2024 and 27 January 2025) – validity: 31 December 2025: extension until 30 June 2026;

– *Implementation of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights*, Bureau decision, reference 4878 of 11 April 2025 – validity: 11 April 2027: extension until 30 June 2027;

– *Violence and hate speech against politicians: a threat to democracy,* Doc. 15846, motion for a resolution, reference 4776 of 22 January 2024 – validity: 22 January 2026: extension until 22 January 2027;

– *Situation in the Middle East*, Bureau decision, reference 4788 of 26 January 2024 – validity: 26 January 2026: extension until 26 January 2027;

– *Situation in Belarus*, Bureau decision, reference 4789 of 26 January 2024 – validity: 26 January 2026: extension until 26 January 2027;

– *Preserving European rural culture and heritage,*Doc. 15974, Reference 4811 of 24 May 2024 – validity: 24 May 2026: extension until 31 December 2026;

– *Enhancing co-operation between parliaments and equality bodies,* Doc. 15905, Reference 4791 of 7 March 2024 – validity: 7 March 2026: extension until 30 June 2026.

2.4.4. Replies after consultation

– *Balancing innovation and regulation: ensuring new technologies serve democracy and human rights*, Doc. 16111, no further action;

– *Regulating social networks: a democratic imperative*, Doc. 16127: no further action;

– *The urgent need to ensure the survival of Radio Free Europe / Radio Liberty*, Doc. 16159: no further action;

– *The European Prisons Charter*, Doc. 16209: no further action.

2.5. Election observation

2.5.1. Republic of Moldova: parliamentary elections (28 September 2025)

On 3 October, the Bureau took note of the statement of the delegation.

On 20 November, the Bureau approved the observation report of the parliamentary elections.

2.5.2. Kyrgyzstan: early parliamentary elections (30 November 2025)

On 3 October, the Bureau decided to set up an *ad hoc* committee to observe these elections composed of 11 members (SOC: 3; EPP/CD: 3; ECPA: 2; ALDE: 2; UEL:1) and of the Rapporteur of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy on "Review of the partnership for democracy in respect of the Parliament of the Kyrgyz Republic" (subject to receiving an invitation and to the availability of funds).

On 24 October, following a written consultation, the Bureau approved the list of members of the *ad hoc* committee to observe these elections and appointed Mr Georgios Stamatis (Greece, EPP/CD) as its chairperson, and Mr Mehmet Akalin (Türkiye, ALDE) as its vice-chairperson.

On 4 November, the Bureau approved the revised list of members of the *ad hoc* committee to observe these elections (Appendix 1).

2.5.3. Assembly of Kosovo[1]: early elections (28 December 2025)*

On 20 November, the Bureau decided to observe these elections and set up an *ad hoc* committee composed of 11 members (SOC: 3; EPP/CD: 3; ECPA: 2; ALDE: 2; UEL: 1), subject to receiving an invitation.

In line with the written consultation of the 3 December 2025, the Bureau approved on 11 December the nomination of Mr Yunus EMRE (Türkiye, SOC) as chairperson, and Mr Georgios STAMATIS (Greece, EPP/CD) as vice-chairperson of the ad hoc committee and updated the list of members of the *ad hoc* Committee to observe these elections (Appendix 2).

2.5.4. Schedule of the elections in 2026

On 20 November, the Bureau took note of the calendar.

2.5.5. Appointment of a PACE representative to the 2025 Annual Implementation Meeting of the Declaration of Principles for International Election Observation (Geneva, 10-12 December 2025)

On 20 November, the Bureau decided to appoint Ms Laura Castel (Spain, UEL) to represent the Assembly at this event.

2.6. Modalities of participation of a representative delegation of Belarusian democratic forces in the work of the Assembly: stock-taking

On 3 October, the Bureau took note of the memorandum by the Secretary General of the Assembly.

2.7. Issues raised by committees

2.7.1. Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development

On 3 October, the Bureau considered and approved the participation of Ms Aurora Floridia (Italy, SOC) to the COP 30 (Brazil) from 10 to 21 November 2025 (at no cost for the Assembly).

On 11 December, the Bureau considered and approved the revised Terms of Reference for the General Rapporteur on the situation of women and children in the Palestinian territories.

On 11 December, the Bureau took note of the decision by the Committee to extend the terms of reference of the Parliamentary Network on the situation of the children of Ukraine by one year.

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1. *All reference to Kosovo, whether to the territory, institutions or population shall be understood in full compliance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo.

2.8. Communications

On 3 October, on 4 November, 20 November and 11 December, the Bureau took note of the communications by the President of the Assembly.

On 20 November, it held an exchange of views with the Secretary General of the Council of Europe; on 4 November and 11 December, it held an exchange of views with the Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe.

2.9. World Forum for Democracy (Strasbourg, 4-7 November 2025)

On 3 October, the Bureau approved the revised list of members of the *ad hoc* committee of the Bureau to participate in this event and appointed the President of the Assembly, Mr Theodoros Rousopoulos, as its chairperson (Appendix 3).

2.10. Conference on Artificial Intelligence (London, 15-16 December 2025)

On 3 October, the Bureau approved the revised list of members of the *ad hoc* committee of the Bureau to participate in this event and appointed the President of the Assembly, Mr Theodoros Rousopoulos, as its chairperson. On 20 November, the Bureau approved a revised list of members (Appendix 4).

2.11. Ad hoc committee on the New Democratic Pact

On 3 October, the Bureau decided to modify the composition of the *ad hoc* committee and to invite the committees of the Assembly to appoint up to 5 members, including their Youth Rapporteurs. On 15 October, following a written consultation, the Bureau approved the revised list of members of the *ad hoc* committee.

On 4 November, the Bureau decided to modify the composition of the ad hoc committee by including the committees' General rapporteurs.

On 20 November, the Bureau updated the list of members of the *ad hoc* committee (Appendix 5).

2.12. Composition of committees

2.12.1. Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee)

On 3 October, on the basis of a proposal by the Socialists, Democrats and Greens Group, the Bureau nominated Ms Olta Xhaçka (Albania, SOC) as a member.

On 20 November, on the basis of a proposal by the European Conservatives, Patriots & Affiliates Group, the Bureau nominated Mr Joachim VOGT (Liechtenstein, ECPA) as a member.

2.12.2. Committee on Rules, Ethics and Immunities

On 3 October, on the basis of a proposal by the Socialists, Democrats and Greens Group, the Bureau nominated Baroness Shami Chakrabarti (United Kingdom, SOC) as a member.

2.13. European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT)

On 3 October, the Bureau considered and approved the lists of candidates in respect of Slovenia, Denmark, Estonia, Sweden, Serbia, and Liechtenstein, which were subsequently transmitted to the Committee of Ministers.

2.14. Vigdís Prize for Women's Empowerment

On 3 October, the Bureau took note of the letter by the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination and approved the designation of the following 3 independent members of the Selection Panel:

– Mr Robert Biedroń (Poland), for a second two-year mandate as of 13 October 2025;

– Ms Sandra Konstatzky (Austria), for a second two-year mandate as of 13 October 2025;

– Ms Petra Stienen (Netherlands), for a first two-year mandate as of 13 October 2025.

On 20 November, the Bureau took note of the calendar and of the launch of the 2026 edition of the Prize on 21 November 2025.

2.15. Resolution 2621 (2025) "Russian Democratic Forces"

On 11 December, the Bureau heard a statement by the President of the Assembly on the follow up to be given.

2.16. Parliamentary and electoral co-operation activities

On 11 December, the Bureau took note of the work plan for 2026.

2.17. Václav Havel Human Rights Prize

On 11 December, the Bureau took note of the memorandum prepared by the Secretary General of the Assembly, and of the calendar of the 2026 edition and invited Bureau members to propose candidatures for the vacant seat in the Selection Panel and to submit the names and CVs of candidates together with justification of fulfilment of required condition ("recognised moral standing in the field of human rights") to the Secretary General of the Assembly by 15 February 2026, in view of the Bureau taking a decision on the appointment at its meeting in March 2026.

2.18. Composition of thematic committees

On 11 December, the Bureau agreed that, for 2026, members of a committee whose appointment by their national delegation has been disputed on the grounds that it does not comply with the gender representation requirement shall sit provisionally on that committee with the same rights as other members until a new composition is submitted to the Assembly or the Standing Committee, and at the latest at the opening of the 2027 session.

2.19. Rules of confidentiality

On 11 December, the President of the Assembly reminded members that all information pertaining to the Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee) in camera proceedings, including fact-finding visits by its co-rapporteurs, is strictly confidential and may not be disclosed or reported outside the committee.

2.20. Expenditure of the Parliamentary Assembly for the 2026 financial year

On 11 December, the Bureau took note of the memorandum prepared by the Secretary General of the Assembly.

2.21. Appointment of the allocation to political groups for 2026

On 11 December, the Bureau approved the proposals contained in the document.

2.22. Meetings elsewhere than Strasbourg and Paris

On 11 December, the Bureau authorised the *ad hoc* Sub-Committee to participate in the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW 70) of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination to meet in New York, United States, in March 2026 (dates tbc).

3. Activities of the Standing Committee (Chisinau, 21 November)

The Standing Committee:

– heard a welcome address by Mr Igor Grosu, President of the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova;

– held an exchange of views with Mr Mihai Popșoi, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, President of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe;

– ratified the credentials of new members of the Assembly submitted by the delegations of Denmark, Germany, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal and the United Kingdom;

– approved the changes in the composition of Assembly committees;

– took note of the preliminary draft agenda of the first part-session of the Assembly (26-30 January 2026);

– ratified the references proposed by the Bureau (see above, part 2.4.1.);

– held a current affairs debate on “Citizens’ mobilisation in the defence of human rights and democracy: recent developments in Latvia”;

– took note of the report of the *Ad hoc* Committee of the Bureau on the Observation of the parliamentary elections in the Republic of Moldova (28 September 2025);

– adopted the following texts on behalf of the Assembly:

Resolution 2631 (2025)	Preventing and combating gender discrimination in health
Resolution 2632 (2025)	Identifying and managing conflicts of interest in the Parliamentary Assembly
Resolution 2633 (2025)	Modification of various provisions of the Assembly’s Rules of Procedure
Resolution 2634 (2025)	Increasing members’ active participation in the work of the Parliamentary Assembly

– decided to hold its next meeting in Monaco on 22 May 2026.

4. Decisions of the Bureau requiring ratification by the Assembly

4.1. References and transmissions to committees

On 11 December, the Bureau considered and approved the following references and transmission to committees:

– *Safe and legal migration pathways: enhancing and implementing good practices,* Doc. 16279, Motion for a resolution*:* reference to the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons *for report;*

– *Towards a coherent European policy on veterans*, Doc. 16280, Motion for a resolution: reference to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for report;*

– *Climate action as a human and democratic responsibility*, Doc. 16281, Motion for a resolution: reference to the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development *for report;*

– *Maritime interference and shadow fleets: a serious threat to security and the environment*, Doc. 16282, Motion for a resolution*:* reference to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *to be taken into account* in the preparation of the report on “Baltic Sea security challenges”;

– *The enforced disappearance of newborns, infants and children*, Doc. 16285, Motion for a resolution*:* reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for report;*

– *Protecting the freedom of expression of members of parliaments*, Doc. 16290, Motion for a resolution*:* reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights *for report* and to the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy *for opinion;*

– Bureau decision: *Citizens’ mobilisation in the defence of human rights and democracy: recent developments in Latvia*: reference to the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination *to be taken into account* in the preparation of the report on 'Promoting the Istanbul Convention and improving its implementation: building on lessons learnt' and transmission to the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media *for information*;

– Bureau decision: *Modification of various provisions of the Rules of Procedure*: reference to the Committee on Rules, Ethics and Immunities *for report*.

The Assembly is invited to ratify these Bureau decisions.

Appendix 1 – List of members of the Ad Hoc Committee for the observation of the early parliamentary elections in the Kyrgyz Republic, 30 November 2025

Chairperson / Président: Mr / M. Georgios STAMATIS (Greece, EPP/CD / Grèce, PPE/DC)

Vice-Chairperson / Président: Mr / M. Mehmet AKALIN (Türkiye, ALDE / ADLE)

Socialists, Democrats and Greens Group / Groupe des socialistes, démocrates et verts (SOC)

– Ms / Mme Aurora FLORIDIA, Italy / Italie
– Mr / M. Gerardo GIOVAGNOLI, San Marino / Saint-Marin
– Ms / Mme Wanda NOWICKA, Poland / Pologne
– Mr / M. Ivan RACAN, Croatia / Croatie

Substitutes / Suppléant·es

– Mr / M. Jone BLIKRA, Norway / Norvège
– Mr / M. Andrea CRISANTI, Italy / Italie
– Mr / M. Didier MARIE, France
– Mr / M. Namik TAN, Türkiye

Group of the European People's Party (EPP/CD) / Groupe du Parti populaire européen (PPE/DC)

– Mr / M. Garret AHEARN, Ireland / Irlande
– Mr / M. Paul GALLES, Luxembourg
– Mr / M. Georgios STAMATIS, Greece / Grèce

Substitutes / Suppléant·es

– Mr / M. Tekke PANMAN, Netherlands / Pays-Bas
– Ms / Mme Albana VOKSHI, Albania / Albanie

European Conservatives, Patriots & Affiliates (ECPA) / Conservateurs européens, Patriotes et Affiliés (CEPA)

– Ms Elisabetta GARDINI, Italy / Italie
– Mr / M. Fabio PIETRELLA, Italy / Italie

Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE) / Alliance des démocrates et des libéraux pour l'Europe (ADLE)

– Mr / M. Mehmet AKALIN, Türkiye
– Mr / M. Manu DIERICX, Belgium / Belgique

Substitutes / Suppléant·es

– Mr / M. Dean PREMIK, Slovenia / Slovénie

Group of the Unified European Left (UEL) / Groupe pour la gauche unitaire européenne (GUE)[2]

– ZZ

Substitutes / Suppléant·es

– Ms / Mme Gabrielle CATHALA, France

– Ms / Mme Nina KASIMATI, Greece / Grèce

Rapporteur of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy, ex officio / Rapporteure de la Commission des questions politiques et de la démocratie ex-officio

Ms / Mme Marietta KARAMANLI, Rapporteur of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy on "Review of the partnership for democracy in respect of the Parliament of the Kyrgyz Republic" / Rapporteure de la commission des questions politiques et de la démocratie sur «L'examen du partenariat pour la démocratie concernant le Parlement de la République kirghize»

2. In line with paragraph 14 of the Guidelines for the observation of elections by the Parliamentary Assembly, the UEL group has allocated its vacant seat to the SOC group on 3 November 2025 / *Conformément au paragraphe 14* des Lignes directrices pour l'observation des élections par l'Assemblée parlementaire*, le groupe UEL a attribué son siège vacant au groupe SOC le 3 novembre 2025.*

Appendix 2 – List of members of the ad hoc committee for the observation of the early elections to the Assembly of Kosovo*, 28 December 2025

Chairperson / Président: Mr / M. Yunus EMRE (Türkiye, SOC)

Vice-Chairperson / Vice-Président: Mr / M. Georgios STAMATIS (Greece, EPP/CD / Grèce, PPE/DC)

Socialists, Democrats and Greens Group / Groupe des socialistes, démocrates et verts (SOC)

– Mr / M. Yunus EMRE, Türkiye

Group of the European People's Party (EPP/CD) / Groupe du Parti populaire européen (PPE/DC)

– Mr / M. Georgios STAMATIS, Greece / Grèce
– ZZ
– ZZ

European Conservatives, Patriots & Affiliates (ECPA) / Conservateurs européens, Patriotes et Affiliés (CEPA)

– Mr / M. Malte KAUFMANN, Germany / Allemagne
– ZZ

Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE) / Alliance des démocrates et des libéraux pour l'Europe (ADLE)[3]

– Mr / M. Mehmet AKALIN, Türkiye
– Ms / Mme Sabina ĆUDIĆ, Bosnia and Herzegovina / Bosnie-Herzégovine
– Mr / M. Stephen GETHINS, United Kingdom / Royaume-Uni
– Ms / Mme Liliana TANGUY, France

Group of the Unified European Left (UEL) / Groupe pour la gauche unitaire européenne (GUE)

– Mr / M. Arnaldo LOMUTI, Italy / Italie

3. In line with paragraph 14 of the Guidelines for the observation of elections by the Parliamentary Assembly, the SOC group has allocated its vacant seats to the ALDE group on 3 December 2025.

Appendix 3 – List of members of the ad hoc Committee of the Bureau to participate in the World Forum for Democracy, Strasbourg, 4-7 November 2025

Chairperson / Président: Mr / M. Theodoros ROUSOPOULOS

Presidential Committee / Comité présidentiel

– Mr / M. Frank SCHWABE (Germany, SOC / Allemagne, SOC)
– Mr / M. Pablo HISPÁN (Spain, EPP/CD / Espagne, PPE/DC)
– Mr / M. Zsolt NÉMETH (Hungary, ECPA / Hongrie, CEPA)
– Mr / M. Iulian BULAI (Romania, ALDE / Roumanie, ADLE)
– Ms / Mme Laura CASTEL (Spain, UEL / Espagne, GUE)

Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy / Commission des questions politiques et de la démocratie

– Ms / Mme Sena Nur ÇELİK KANAT (Türkiye, NR / NI)
– Mr / M. Stephen GETHINS (United Kingdom, ALDE / Royaume-Uni, ADLE)
– Mr / M. Yuriy KAMELCHUK (Ukraine, EPP/CD / PPE/DC)
– Mr / M. George PAPANDREOU (Greece, SOC / Grèce, SOC)
– Ms / Mme Yelyzaveta YASKO (Ukraine, EPP/CD / PPE/DC)
– Mr / M. Emanuelis ZINGERIS (Lithuania, EPP/CD / Lituanie, PPE/DC)

Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights / Commission des questions juridiques et des droits de l'homme

– Ms / Mme Meryem GÖKA (Türkiye, NR / NI)
– Ms / Mme Olena KHOMENKO (Ukraine, ECPA / CEPA)

Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development / Commission des questions sociales, de la santé et du développement durable

– Ms / Mme Sibel ARSLAN (Switzerland, SOC / Suisse, SOC)
– Mr / M. Vinzenz GLASER (Germany, UEL / Allemagne, GUE)
– Mr / M. Armen GEVORGYAN (Armenia, ECPA / Arménie, CEPA)

Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons / Commission des migrations, des réfugiés et des personnes déplacées

– Ms / Mme Albana VOKSHI (Albania, EPP/CD / Albanie, PPE/DC)
– Ms / Mme Pelin YILIK (Türkiye, NR / NI)

Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media / Commission de la culture, de la science, de l'éducation et des médias

– Ms / Mme Maria-Nefeli CHATZIIOANNIDOU (Greece, EPP/CD / Grèce, PPE/DC)
– Mr / M. Yunus EMRE (Türkiye, SOC)
– Ms / Mme Belén HOYO (Spain, EPP/CD / Espagne, PPE/DC)
– Ms / Mme Luz MARTINEZ SEIJO (Spain, SOC / Espagne, SOC)
– Mr / M. Pavlo SUSHKO (Ukraine, ECPA / CEPA)

Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination / Commission sur l'égalité et la non-discrimination

– Ms / Mme Petra BAYR (Austria, SOC / Autriche, SOC)
– Mr / M. Roland Rino BÜCHEL (Switzerland, ALDE / Suisse, ADLE)
– Mr / M. Mustafa CANBEY (Türkiye, NR / NI)
– Ms / Mme Sevilay ÇELENK (Türkiye, UEL / GUE)
– Mr / M. Murat Cahid CINGI (Türkiye, NR / NI)
– Ms / Mme Meryem GÖKA (Türkiye, NR / NI)
– Ms / Mme Zita GURMAI (Hungary, SOC / Hongrie, SOC)
– Ms / Mme Kate OSBORNE (United Kingdom, SOC / Royaume-Uni, SOC)
– Mr / M. Robert-Ionatan SIGHIARTAU (Romania, EPP/CD / Roumanie, PPE/DC)
– Mr / M. Georgios STAMATIS (Greece, EPP/CD / Grèce, PPE/DC)
– Mr / M. Francesco VERDUCCI (Italy, SOC / Italie, SOC)

Committee on the Honouring of Obligations and Commitments by Member States of the Council of Europe (Monitoring Committee) / Commission pour le respect des obligations et engagements des Etats membres du Conseil de l'Europe (commission de suivi)

– Ms / Mme Cristina Gabriella DUMITRESCU (Romania, ECPA / Roumanie, CEPA)
– Ms / Mme Valentina GRIPPO (Italy, ALDE / Italie, ADLE)
– Mr / M. Malte KAUFMANN (Germany, ECPA / Allemagne, CEPA)

Committee on Rules, Ethics and Immunities / Commission du Règlement, de l'éthique et des immunités

– Mr / M. Oleksii GONCHARENKO (Ukraine, ECPA / CEPA)
– Ms / Mme Victoria TIBLOM (Sweden, ECPA / Suède, CEPA)

Appendix 4 – List of members of the ad hoc Committee of the Bureau to participate in the Conference on Artificial Intelligence, London, 15-16 December 2025

Chairperson / Président: Mr / M. Theodoros ROUSOPOULOS

Presidential Committee / Comité présidentiel

– Mr / M. Frank SCHWABE (Germany, SOC / Allemagne, SOC)
– Mr / M. Pablo HISPÁN (Spain, EPP/CD / Espagne, PPE/DC)
– Mr / M. Zsolt NÉMETH (Hungary, ECPA / Hongrie, CEPA)
– Mr / M. Iulian BULAI (Romania, ALDE / Roumanie, ADLE)
– Ms / Mme Laura CASTEL (Spain, UEL / Espagne, GUE)

Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy / Commission des questions politiques et de la démocratie

– Mr / M. Bertrand BOUYX (France, ALDE / ADLE) – Président AS/POL
– Ms / Mme Dora BAKOYANNIS (Greece, EPP/CD / Grèce, PPE/DC)
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– Mr Mogens JENSEN, Governance and Ethics in Sport / Gouvernance et l'éthique dans le sport

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– Mr George PAPANDREOU, Democracy / Démocratie

– Mr Ryszard PETRU, For a Democratic Belarus / *Pour un Bélarus démocratique*

– Mr Eerik-Niiles KROSS, Russian Democratic Forces / *Forces démocratiques russes*

4. At its meeting on 6 December 2016, the committee decided to modify the title and mandate, to include a reference to intersex people.

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