

**STANDING COMMITTEE**  
**of the**  
**OSCE Parliamentary Assembly**  
**Meeting on 22 February 2018, 09:00 – 11:45**  
*Hofburg Congress Center, Vienna, Ratsaal, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor*

**DRAFT AGENDA**

**9:00 Call to order**

1. Adoption of the Agenda
2. Approval of the Agenda for the 2018 Winter Meeting (Rule 16,1)
3. Report of the President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Mr. George Tsereteli
4. Review of current international political issues
5. Reports on OSCE PA Activities:
  - a. Reports on Election Observation Activities
  - b. Reports on the Activities of the Special Representatives
6. Report of the Treasurer of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Ms. Doris Barnett
7. Report of the Secretary General of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Mr. Roberto Montella
8. Reports on preparations for future OSCE PA meetings in 2018:
  - **Bureau:** 15-16 April in Copenhagen
  - **Twenty-Seventh Annual Session:** 07 – 11 July in Berlin
  - **Autumn Meeting:** 03 – 06 October in Bishkek
  - **Bureau:** 05 December in Milan (OSCE MC 06-07 December)Other future OSCE PA Meetings in 2019 and beyond
9. Other business



## **JOINT SESSION OF THE THREE GENERAL COMMITTEES**

### **WINTER MEETING 2018**

**Thursday 22 February 2018, 12.00 – 13.15**

*Hofburg Congress Centre, Vienna, Neuer Saal, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor*

### **DRAFT AGENDA**

(12:00 Call to Order by the President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly)

1. Address by the President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Mr. George Tsereteli;
2. Address by the Undersecretary of State of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Mr. Vincenzo Amendola, Representative of the Italian Chairmanship-in-Office of the OSCE
3. Address by the Secretary General of the OSCE, Ambassador Thomas Greminger;
4. Question & answer session.

## **General Committee on Democracy, Human Rights and Humanitarian Questions**

**Meeting on 22 February 2018, 15:15 – 18:00**

*Hofburg Congress Centre, Vienna, Neuer Saal, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor*

### **DRAFT AGENDA**

1. Adoption of the Agenda
2. Opening remarks by Mr. Ignacio Sanchez Amor (Spain), Chairperson of the Committee
3. Presentation by Mr. Kyriakos Hadjiyianni (Cyprus), Rapporteur of the Committee, on his ideas and intentions regarding his report for the 27th Annual Session in Berlin (7 – 11 July 2018)

#### *Debate*

4. Presentation by Ambassador Sian MacLeod, Chairperson of the Human Dimension Committee of the OSCE Permanent Council and Head of the United Kingdom Delegation to the OSCE
5. Presentation by Ms. Ingibjörg Sólrún Gísladóttir, Director of the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights
6. Presentation by Mr. Harlem Désir, OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media

#### *Debate*

7. Debate on “*Upholding democracy in an age of ‘fake news’*”

#### *Debate*

8. Any Other Business

Closure of meeting

**General Committee on Economic Affairs, Science, Technology  
and Environment**  
**Meeting on 22 February 2018, 15:15-18:00**  
*Hofburg Congress Centre, Vienna, Ratsaal, 5<sup>th</sup> floor*

**DRAFT AGENDA**

1. Adoption of the Agenda
2. Opening Remarks by Ms. Nilza Sena (Portugal), Chairperson of the Committee
3. Presentation by Ms. Sofio Katsarava (Georgia), Rapporteur of the Committee, on her ideas and intentions regarding her report for the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Session in Berlin (7-11 July 2018)  
  
Debate
4. Presentation by Ambassador Kairat Sarybay, Chair of the OSCE Economic and Environmental Committee – Permanent Representative of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the OSCE  
  
Debate
5. Presentation by Ambassador Vuk Žugić, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities  
  
Debate
6. Special Debate: *“Climate crisis: Developing long-term strategies to tackle climate change and its global consequences”*
  - Introduction by Ambassador Vuk Žugić, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities
7. Any other business  
  
Closure of meeting

**General Committee on Political Affairs and Security**  
**Meeting on 23 February 2018, 09:00-11:45**

*Hofburg Congress Centre, Vienna, Neuer Saal, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor*

**DRAFT AGENDA**

1. Adoption of the Agenda
2. Opening Remarks by Mr. Filippo Lombardi (Switzerland), Chairperson of the Committee
3. Presentation by Mr. Kristian Vigenin (Bulgaria), Rapporteur of the Committee, on his ideas and intentions regarding his report for the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Session in Berlin (7-11 July 2018)  
Debate
4. Presentation by Ambassador María Victoria González Román, Chairperson of the Security Committee of the OSCE Permanent Council and Permanent Representative of Spain to the OSCE  
Debate
5. Presentation by Ambassador Radomír Boháč, Chairperson of the Forum for Security Co-operation and Permanent Representative of Slovakia to the OSCE  
Debate
6. Presentation by Ambassador Lamberto Zannier, OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities (HCNM)  
Debate
7. Special Debate: ***“Arms control, disarmament and non-proliferation: challenges and opportunities for the OSCE area”***
  - Introduction by Dr. Lassina Zerbo, Executive Secretary of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organisation
8. Any other business

Closure of the meeting



**JOINT SESSION OF THE THREE GENERAL  
COMMITTEES  
WINTER MEETING 2018  
Friday 23 February 2018, 13:30 – 16:30**  
*Hofburg Congress Centre, Vienna, Neuer Saal, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor*

**DRAFT AGENDA**

(13:30 call to order by the President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly)

1. Report of the Chairperson of the Sub-Committee on the Rules of Procedure, Lord Peter Bowness;
2. Report of the OSCE PA Special Representative on Gender Issues, Dr. Hedy Fry, followed by a debate;
3. Report by the Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Migration, Mr. Filippo Lombardi, followed by a debate;
4. Report by the Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Countering Terrorism, Mr. Makis Voridis, followed by a debate;
5. Closure by the President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Mr. George Tsereteli.