

OSCE parliamentarians meet in Porto

The OSCE PA's 32nd Annual Session to feature debates on Ukraine, the Middle East, and more



Pres. Pia Kauma with OSCE PA Portuguese Delegation members and Parliament Speaker José Pedro Aguiar-Branco in Lisbon, 13 March 2025

Following more than a year of intensive preparation, the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly's 32nd Annual Session opens in Porto, Portugal, today with speeches by OSCE PA President Pia Kauma (Finland), President of the Portuguese Parliament José Pedro Aguiar-Branco, and Paula Cardoso, Head of the Portuguese Delegation to the OSCE PA. Marcelo Rebelo de Sousa, President of the Portuguese Republic, and UN Secretary General António Guterres will address the delegates by remote intervention.

Taking place at the Alfândega do Porto Congress Centre from 29 June to 3 July, the Annual Session will be held under the general theme "Commemorating 50 Years of the Helsinki Final Act: Responding to a New Reality in the OSCE." Hundreds of lawmakers from North America, Europe and Central Asia are taking part in the event, which will livestream at www.oscepa.org.

Parliamentarians will debate the state of multilateral-

ism a half-century after the signing of the OSCE's founding document, with the situation in the Middle East and the Russian Federation's war against Ukraine topping the agenda. Debates are also expected on critical infrastructure and nuclear safety, water scarcity and migration, artificial intelligence and misuse of technology, youth radicalization and violent extremism, energy security, child trafficking and sexual exploitation, and OSCE institutional co-operation.

The three general committees will debate and amend the resolutions for inclusion in the Porto Declaration to be adopted on 3 July. This document, representing the collective voice of the OSCE's parliamentary dimension, will contain recommendations to governments, parliaments and the international community in the fields of security, human rights, and economic and environmental concerns. Parliamentarians will also elect leadership for 2025-26, including a new President.



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