



AS/Bur (2021) OJ 04 rev3

16 April 2021

Bureau of the Assembly

Draft agenda

of the meeting to be held by videoconference
on Friday 16 April 2021 - 9.30 am to 1 pm

1. **Communication by the President**
[AS/Bur (2021) 10]

2. **Agenda**
[AS/Bur (2021) OJ 04 rev3]

Draft decision: to adopt the revised draft agenda

3. **Minutes**
[AS/Bur (2021) PV 03]

Draft decision: to approve the draft minutes of the meeting held on 18 March 2021

4. **Communication by the Secretary General and the Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe**
[Written communication, SG/inf (2021) 11]

Draft decision: to take note of the communication by the Secretary General and the Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe

**To members of the Bureau of the Assembly
(President and Vice-Presidents of the Assembly and
Chairpersons of Political Groups and the Assembly's general committees)**

copy for information to secretaries of national delegations and political groups and Heads of
Secretariats of the Assembly's general committees

This document is also the convocation to the meeting

5. Second part-session of 2021 (Strasbourg, 19-22 April)

i. Requests for debate under urgent procedure and/or current affairs debate

The five political groups requested that the Assembly hold urgent debates on “The arrest and detention of Alexei Navalny in January 2021” and on “The functioning of democratic institutions in Turkey”

Draft decision: *to decide whether to recommend to the Assembly to hold the proposed debates and, if so, to designate the committee(s) to which to refer the matters*

ii. Requests for a current affairs debate

On 13 April the ALDE Group requested that the Assembly hold a current affairs debate on “Covid passes or certificates: protection of fundamental rights and legal implications”

Draft decision: *to decide whether to recommend to the Assembly to hold this debate and, if so, to appoint the first speaker in the debate*

On 14 April the EPP/CD requested that the Assembly hold a current affairs debate on “Armenian prisoners of war, other captives and displaced persons”

Draft decision: *to decide whether to recommend to the Assembly to hold this debate and, if so, to appoint the first speaker in the debate*

On 15 April the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development requested that the Assembly hold a current affairs debate on “Covid-19 vaccination certificates: how to protect public health and human rights?”

Draft decision: *to decide whether to recommend to the Assembly to hold this debate and, if so, to appoint the first speaker in the debate*

On 15 April the Ukrainian delegation requested that the Assembly hold a current affairs debate on “Russian threat to the pursuit of peace in Europe”

Draft decision: *to decide whether to recommend to the Assembly to hold this debate and, if so, to appoint the first speaker in the debate*

iii. Draft agenda
[Doc. 15241]

Draft decision: *to update the draft agenda for the second part-session of 2021*

iv. Election of judges to the European Court of Human Rights in respect of Belgium and Poland
[Letters; AS/Cdh (2021) 03]

Draft decision: *to take note of the report which has been drawn up by the Committee on the Election of Judges concerning the list of candidates for the posts of judges to the Court in respect of Belgium and Poland*

v. Joint Committee (videoconference, 26 April, from 9.30 to 10.30 am)
[AS/CM-Mix (2021) OJ 01]

Draft decision: *to prepare the meeting of the Joint Committee*

6. Progress report of the Bureau of the Assembly and the Standing Committee (29 January – 18 April 2021)

Rapporteur: Mr Aleksander Pocij (Poland, EPP/CD)
[Doc 15263]

Draft decision: to approve the Progress report

7. Election observation

- i. Bulgaria: parliamentary elections (4 April 2021)
[Statement]

Draft decision: to take note of the statement by the observation mission

- ii. Albania: parliamentary elections (25 April 2021)
[List of members]

Draft decision: to approve the revised final list of members of the ad hoc committee

- iii. Palestine: parliamentary elections (22 May 2021)
[List of members]

Draft decisions: to approve the final list of members of the ad hoc committee

- iv. Armenia: early parliamentary elections (20 June 2021 - tbc)

Draft decision: subject to receiving an invitation, to decide whether to observe these elections and, if so, to set up an ad hoc committee and decide its composition

- v. Palestine: Presidential election (31 July 2021)

Draft decision: to decide whether to observe this election and, if so, to set up an ad hoc committee and decide its composition

8. References and transmissions to committees

[AS/Bur (2021) 09, letter]

Draft decision: to approve the proposals contained in the document, subject to ratification by the Assembly in the Progress report

9. Institutional representation of the Parliamentary Assembly in 2021

[AS/Bur (2021) 06 rev 2]

Draft decision: to consider the nominations stemming from the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights and to approve them

10. Issues raised by committees

Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons
[Letter, AS/Mig (2021) 06]

Draft decision: to take note of the request by the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons and to consider the draft terms of reference of a “General Rapporteur on “Missing refugee and migrant children in Europe”

11. Other business

Items possibly to be dealt without debate: 12, 13 and 14

12. Composition of the Monitoring Committee, the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs and the Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

[Lists of members]

***Draft decision:** to approve the lists of members*

13. Václav Havel Human Rights Prize

***Draft decision:** to take note of the prolongation of the deadline to submit candidatures to the 2021 edition of the Václav Havel Human Rights Prize, until 30 June 2021*

14. Dates and places of next meetings

Monday 26 April 2021, 11 am, (part-session) by videoconference

Thursday 27 May 2021, Budapest, 3.00 pm (-tbc-)

Friday 18 June 2021, 9.30 am, (part-session) by videoconference

Monday 28 June 2021, 9.30 am, (part-session) by videoconference

Monday 6 September 2021 (date and place tbc)