



AS/Bur (2021) OJ 03
03 March 2021

Bureau of the Assembly

Draft agenda

of the meeting to be held by videoconference
on Thursday 18 March 2021 - 3 pm to 6.30 pm

1. **Communication by the President**
[AS/Bur (2021) 08]

2. **Agenda**
[AS/Bur (2021) OJ 03]

Draft decision: to adopt the draft agenda

3. **Minutes**
[AS/Bur (2021) PV 02]

Draft decision: to approve the draft minutes of the meeting held on 1 February 2021

4. **Communication by the Secretary General and the Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe**
[Written communication]

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. Standing Committee meeting (videoconference, 19 March 2021)

i. Request for current affairs debate

On 02 March 2021, the five political groups requested that the Standing Committee hold a current affairs debate on “Democracies facing Covid-19: the way forward”

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

ii. Consideration of the draft agenda

[AS/Per (2021) OJ 01]

Draft decision: *to take note of the draft agenda*

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

Draft agenda

[AS/Bur (2021) 03]

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

7. References and transmissions to committees

[AS/Bur (2021) 04, letters]

Draft decision: *to approve the proposals contained in the document, subject to ratification by the Standing Committee*

8. Election observation

i. Bulgaria: parliamentary elections (4 April 2021)

[List of members]

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

ii. Albania: parliamentary elections (25 April 2021)

[List of members]

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

iii. Palestine: parliamentary elections (22 May 2021)

[List of members]

Draft decisions: *to approve the updated list of members of the ad hoc committee and to appoint its Chairperson*

9. Václav Havel Human Rights Prize

[AS/Bur (2021) 07]

Draft decisions: *to take note of the memorandum prepared by the Secretary General of the Assembly and to re-appoint three members of the Selection Panel*

10. Institutional representation of the Parliamentary Assembly in 2021

[AS/Bur (2021) 06 rev]

Draft decision: *to consider the proposals of representation of the Parliamentary Assembly in 2021*

11. Participation of members in Parliamentary Assembly plenary sessions and committee meetings
[AS/Pro (2021) 01, letter]

At its meeting on 26-27 January 2021, the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs considered an information memorandum on the participation of members in Parliamentary Assembly plenary sessions and committee meetings in 2020 in accordance with Resolution 1583 (2007). It approved proposals for the attention of the Bureau for possible follow-up

Draft decision: *to take note of the information memorandum*

12. Issues raised by committees

Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy
[Letter]

Draft decision: *to authorise Mr Kimmo Kiljunen (Finland, SOC) to carry out a fact-finding visit to Belarus, by the end of 2021, in the framework of the preparation of his report on Call for an inclusive national political process in Belarus*

13. Other business

Items possibly to be dealt without debate: 14 and 15

14. 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*

15. Dates and places of next meetings

Friday 16 April 2021, 9.30 am, (part-session) via videoconference
Monday 26 April 2021, 9.30 am, (part-session) via videoconference
Thursday 27 May 2021, Budapest, 3.00 pm (-tbc-)
Friday 18 June 2021, 9.30 am, (part-session) (-tbc-)
Monday 28 June 2021, 9.30 am, (part-session) (-tbc-)
Monday 6 September 2021, 9.00 am (-tbc-)