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Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy

Revised draft agenda 2

of the meeting to be held by videoconference

on 4 February 2021, from 10 am to 12.30 pm and from 2.00 pm to 4.15 pm
(Central European Time)

Please also note the reconstitution meetings of the Sub-Committees:

4.15pm to 4.20pm Sub-Committee on External Relations (separate draft agenda)

4.20pm to 4.25pm Sub-Committee on the Middle East and the Arab World (separate draft agenda)

1. Agenda

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Adoption of the agenda

2. Minutes

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Approval of the minutes of the meeting held in hybrid mode on 25 January 2021

3. Work programme

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. Appointment of Rapporteurs

[The Assembly's vision on the strategic priorities for the Council of Europe](#)
[\[Decision of the Bureau, subject to the ratification of the referral by the Standing Committee, 19 March 2021\]](#)

Protecting the pillars of democracy during health crises [\[Doc. 15176\]](#)

Review of the partnership for democracy in respect of the Parliament of the Kyrgyz Republic
[\[Doc. 15184\]](#)

Justice and security for women in peace reconciliation (for opinion) [\[Doc. 15045\]](#)

. Call for candidates

[Strengthening the role of the Council of Europe as a cornerstone of the European political architecture](#)
[\[Doc. 14991\]](#)

This draft agenda, addressed to members of the Committee and their alternates,
is the convocation to the meeting

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4. Changes to the membership of Sub-Committees

[Lists of members]¹

5. Appointment of the institutional representatives of the Committee

[Decision of the Bureau]

- . Council for democratic elections of the Venice Commission (CDE)
- . European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI)

6. More participatory democracy to tackle climate change

Rapporteur: Mr George Papandreou, Greece, SOC
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- . Statement by the Rapporteur
- . Consideration of a revised introductory memorandum
- . Hearing with the participation of:

Ms Helene Landemore, Associate Professor of Political Science, Yale University

Dr Gerd Leipold, Director of Climate Transparency

Ms Alice Bergholtz, Bureau member of the Advisory Council on Youth of the Council of Europe
(National Council of Swedish Youth Organisations – LSU)

7. Urgent need for electoral reform in Belarus

Rapporteur: Lord David Blencathra, United Kingdom, EC/DA
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Consideration of a preliminary draft report

8. Call for an inclusive national political process in Belarus

Rapporteur: Mr Kimmo Kiljunen, Finland, SOC

Statement by the Rapporteur

9. Fighting fiscal injustice: the work of the OECD on taxation of digital economy

Rapporteur: Mr Georgios Katrougkalos, Greece, UEL
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Consideration of a preliminary draft report

2pm

10. Follow up to [Resolution 2326 \(2020\) Democracy hacked? how to respond?](#)

Former Rapporteur: Mr Frithjof Schmidt, Germany, SOC

- . Statement by the Former Rapporteur
- . Exchange of views with the participation of Mr Rafael Rubio, Substitute member of the Venice Commission for Spain, on the newly published study on [Principles for a fundamental rights-compliant use of digital technologies in electoral processes](#)

¹ Subject to the approval by the Committee.

11. Relationship between the parliamentary majority and the opposition in a democracy

Rapporteur: Ms Marija Golubeva, Latvia, ALDE

[[Resolution 1601 \(2008\)](#)]

. Statement by the Rapporteur

. Presentation of the opinion on [Parameters on the relationship between the parliamentary majority and the opposition in a democracy: a Checklist](#) by Ms Regina Kiener, Vice-President of the Venice Commission and member of the Commission for Switzerland

12. Recent developments in Libya and in the Middle East: what consequences for Europe?

Rapporteur: Mr Piero Fassino, Italy, SOC

Statement by the Rapporteur

13. Open discussion on current issues

14. Authorisations by the Committee

15. Other business

Václav Havel Human Rights Prize 2021: call for nominations

[[press release](#)]

16. Next meetings

30 March 2021, via videoconference

. During the Assembly's 2nd part-session, 19-23 April 2021

. 11 May 2021

. During the Assembly's 3rd part-session, 21-25 June 2021

. During the Assembly's 4th part-session, 27 September-1 October 2021

. 4 November 2021

. 6 December 2021

4.15pm to 4.20pm

Reconstitution meeting of the Sub-Committee on External Relations

(separate draft agenda)

4.20pm to 4.25pm

Reconstitution meeting of the Sub-Committee on the Middle East and the Arab World

(separate draft agenda)