

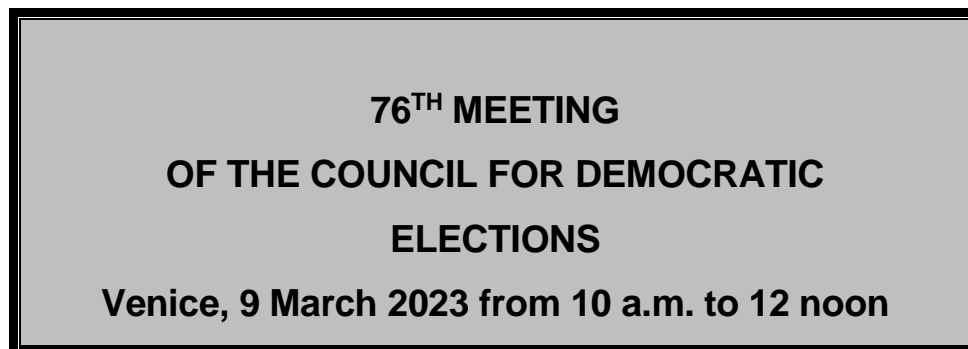


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EUROPEAN COMMISSION FOR DEMOCRACY THROUGH LAW
(VENICE COMMISSION)



DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda

The Council is invited to adopt its agenda as it appears in this document.

2. Elections to the Presidency

The Council will be invited to elect a President and a Vice-President.

3. Azerbaijan - Draft joint opinion of the Venice Commission and the OSCE/ODIHR on the Law on Political Parties

The Council is invited to examine with a view to approval, the draft joint opinion by the Venice Commission and the OSCE/ODIHR ([CDL\(2023\)001](#)) on the Law on Political Parties of Azerbaijan ([CDL-REF\(2023\)012](#)), drawn-up on the basis of comments by Ms Veronika Bílková, Ms Renata Deskoska and Mr Jan Velaers; as well as Ms Lolita Čigāne and Mr Fernando Casal Bértoa for the OSCE/ODIHR. This joint opinion was requested by Mr Piero Fassino, Chair of the Monitoring Committee of the Council of Europe's Parliamentary Assembly, 15 December 2022.

4. Electoral Observation

An exchange of views will take place on the basis of the information document ([CDL\(2023\)019](#)) on the Venice Commission's involvement in election observation in 2022, and of oral interventions by representatives of the Parliamentary Assembly, the Congress and ODIHR on co-operation in this area with other bodies represented in the Council and outside.

The Council will also be informed of

- the post-election webinar following the parliamentary elections and the referendum held in Hungary on 3 April 2022, which was organised by the Venice Commission, in cooperation with the National Election Commission and the National Election Office of Hungary, on 17 December 2022;
- the international conference on the topic of "Elections in times of crisis: challenges and opportunities" (Bern, Switzerland, 9-10 May 2023), which is being organised by the Parliamentary Assembly in co-operation with the Swiss Parliament;
- the international conference on the topic of "Cybersecurity and Elections" (Madrid, Spain, 10-12 May 2023).

5. Date of the next meeting

The Council is invited to fix the date of its next meeting for Thursday, 8 June 2023 from 10.00 am to 12 noon.