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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. Germany – Joint opinion of the Venice Commission and the OSCE/ODIHR on the amendments of the German Federal Election Act and their compliance with the Council of Europe’s standards

The Council is invited to examine with a view to approval, the draft joint opinion by the Venice Commission and the OSCE/ODIHR ([CDL\(2023\)015](#)) on the amendments of the German Federal Election Act ([CDL-REF\(2023\)020](#)) and their compliance with Council of Europe standards, drawn-up on the basis of comments by Mr Oliver Kask, Mr Tomáš Langášek, Mr Cesare Pinelli and Mr Pere Vilanova Trias; as well as Ms Tamara Otiashvili, expert for the OSCE/ODIHR. This joint opinion was requested by Mr Tiny Kox, President of the Council of Europe’s Parliamentary Assembly, 3 March 2023.

3. The Code of Good Practice in Electoral Matters and the case law of the ECtHR

Mr Eirik Holmøyvik, Member of the Venice Commission in respect of Norway, will inform the Council of his work on the comparison between the Code of Good Practice in Electoral Matters and the case law of the ECtHR on effective examination of electoral disputes.

4. Information about conferences

The Council will be informed about the following events:

. International Conference on “Elections in times of crisis – challenges and opportunities”, co-organised by PACE and the Swiss Parliament, Bern, Switzerland, 9-10 May 2023;

. III^d International Conference on “Cybersecurity and Elections: Guarantees against information disorders in the digital arena – Democracy, rights and elections”, Madrid, Spain, 10-12 May 2023;

. Hybrid Congress “Digital technologies: democracy and regulation in Europe and America”, co-organised by the Electoral Tribunal of the Federal Judiciary of Mexico and the Venice Commission, Mexico, 20-21 June 2023.

5. Date of the next meeting

The Council is invited to fix the date of its next meeting for Thursday, 5 October 2023 from 10.00 am to 12 noon.