



PACE Autumn Session (28 September-2 October 2015)

Events

Monday 28 September 2015	
<p>12.40–1.10 pm Chamber</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>Award ceremony for the 2015 Václav Havel Human Rights Prize</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening of the ceremony by PACE President Anne Brasseur • Video on the Václav Havel Human Rights Prize • Speech by Anne Brasseur • Presentation of the Trophy and Diploma of the Václav Havel Human Rights Prize to the prizewinner • Presentation of Diplomas to the two finalists • Statement by the prizewinner <p>The shortlisted candidates are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ludmilla Alexeeva, Russian human rights activist • The NGO <i>Women for Afghan Women</i>, represented by Manizha Naderi, Executive Director • The NGO <i>Youth Initiative for Human Rights (YIHR)</i>, represented by Alma Masic, Director
<p>1–2 pm Room 7, Palais</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>“Turkish elections and the Kurdish question”</p> <p>Side-event sponsored by Tiny Kox (Netherlands, UEL), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selahattin Demirtas, leader of the Peoples' Democratic Party (HDP)
<p>2–3 pm Room 1, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Handling international public health emergencies</p> <p>in the context of the report being prepared by Silvia Bonet Perot (Andorra, SOC), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr David Nabarro, UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy on Ebola and Special Representative for Food Security and Nutrition, United Nations (New York) (by videolink) <p>► Exchange of views on “Public health and the interests of the pharmaceutical industry: how to guarantee the primacy of public health interests?”</p> <p>in the context of the report being prepared by Liliane Maury Pasquier (Switzerland, SOC), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anand Grover, former UN Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health (India) (by videolink)
<p>2–3 pm Room 6, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Hearing on “The situation of women belonging to minorities”</p> <p>Joint meeting of the Sub-Committee on the Rights of Minorities and the Sub-Committee on Gender Equality), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inger Elin Utsi, member of the Sami Parliament (Norway) • Cerasela Claudia Bănică, <i>Centre for Advocacy and Human Rights (CADO)</i>, (Romania) • Tove H. Malloy, member of the Advisory Committee of the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities in respect of Denmark

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<p>8.30–10 am Room 8, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Hearing on “Organised crime and migrants”</p> <p>in the context of the report being prepared by Irakli Chikovani (Georgia, ALDE), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Silke Albert, Senior expert on Trafficking in Persons, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) • Alvaro Rodriguez Gaya, Project Manager, facilitated illegal migration area, Europol
<p>8.30–10 am Room 6, Palais</p> <p>No Hate Parliamentary Alliance</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Hearing on “Refugees not welcome – political and media approaches to the current refugee and migrant crisis”, with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tim Finch, consultant and writer, former Director of Communications, <i>Refugee Council</i> (United Kingdom) • Yousef Kak, general practitioner, Syrian refugee living in France
<p>1–2 pm Projection Room, Palais</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>“Migration and refugees crisis”</p> <p>Side-event sponsored by Tineke Strik (Netherlands, SOC), ahead of the plenary debate to be held on the same day on “Countries of transit: meeting new migration and asylum challenges”.</p> <p>The discussion will be preceded by the screening of the documentary film by Morgan Knibbe entitled “<i>Shipwreck</i>”.</p>
<p>2–3.30 pm Room 6, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Exchange of views with Manizha Naderi, Executive Director of the organisation <i>Women for Afghan Women</i>, candidate for the Václav Havel Prize</p>
<p>2–3.30 pm Room 8, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Exchange of views on “Attacks against journalists and media freedom in Europe”</p> <p>in the context of the report being prepared by Gvozden Srećko Flego (Croatia, SOC), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alexander Warzilek, General Secretary of the Austrian Press Council (Vienna) • Lutz Tillmanns, General Secretary of the German Press Council (Berlin)
<p>2–3.30 pm Room 9, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Enlarged debate on the activities of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in 2014-2015</p> <p>with the participation of delegations of national parliaments of OECD member States which are not members of the Council of Europe, and of the European Parliament, in the context of the report by Tuur Elzinga (Netherlands, UEL)</p>
<p>2.45– 3.30 pm Room 5, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► <i>Lampedusa Beach</i> – Theatre performance concerning the refugee survivor of a shipwreck in the Mediterranean, by Lina Prosa, author of the play, in the presence of Laura Boldrini, President of the Chamber of Deputies of Italy</p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Daphné Dumery (Belgium, NR) on “The Mediterranean Sea: a front door to irregular migration”</p>

Wednesday 30 September 2015

<p>1–2 pm Room 3, Palais</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>“Human rights in occupied Crimea”</p> <p>Side-event sponsored by Volodymyr Arieu (Ukraine, EPP/CD), Chairperson of the Ukrainian delegation to PACE, with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boris Zakharov, <i>Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union</i> • Daria Sviridova, <i>Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union</i> • Roman Martynovsky, <i>Regional Center for Human Rights</i> • Sergiy Zaiets, <i>Regional Center for Human Rights</i> • Guyana Yuksel, <i>Crimean Tatar Mejlis</i> • Georgii Logvynskyi, <i>Deputy Chairperson of the Ukrainian delegation to PACE</i>
<p>2–3.30 pm Room 1, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Hearing on “Manufacturing a new human species?”</p> <p>with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jean-Yves Le Déaut, <i>General Rapporteur on science and technology assessment of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe</i> • Robin Lovell-Badge, <i>Group Leader at the Francis Crick Institute (formerly MRC National Institute for Medical Research), United Kingdom</i> • George M. Church, <i>Professor of Genetics at Harvard Medical School and Director of personalgenomes.org (USA) – by videolink</i> • Luigi Naldini, <i>Director of the Division of Regenerative Medicine, Stem Cells and Gene Therapy, San Raffaele Scientific Institute (Italy)</i> • Mark Bale, <i>Chairperson of the Council of Europe Committee on Bioethics</i> <p>Moderator: Denis Durand de Bousingen, <i>journalist specialising in health and medicine, Le Quotidien du Médecin (France)</i></p>
<p>2–3.30 pm Room 9, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Exchange of views with a parliamentary delegation from the Jordanian House of Representatives</p> <p>in the framework of the request for “Partner for Democracy” status with PACE submitted by the Parliament of Jordan, and the report by Josette Durrieu (France, SOC), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mustapha Ibrahim Al Hamarneh, <i>MP</i> • Yousef Al Qarneh, <i>MP</i> <p>► Exchange of views with members of the Parliament of Algeria</p> <p>in the context of the preparation of the report by René Rouquet (France, SOC) on “Establishing genuine parliamentary dialogue with Algeria”</p>
<p>2–3.30 pm Room 6, Palais</p> <p>Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Exchange of views with Samira Meraïi, Minister for Women, Family and Children of Tunisia</p>
<p>2–3.30 pm Room 8, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Promoting alternatives to the immigration detention of children</p> <p>in the context of the Global Campaign on “Ending Immigration Detention of Children”, with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lana Petö Kujundžić, <i>Judge for Minors, President of the Department for Juveniles, District Court of Zagreb (Croatia)</i> • Kerry L. Neal, <i>Child Protection Specialist, UNICEF</i>
<p>2–3.30 pm Room 7, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Exchange of views on “Culture and democracy”</p> <p>in the context of the report being prepared by Vesna Marjanović (Serbia, SOC), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amila Ramovic, <i>Executive Director of Ars Aevi, Museum of Contemporary Art (Sarajevo)</i>

Thursday 1 October 2015	
<p>8.30–9.30 am Room 6, Palais</p> <p>Joint meeting of the Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media and the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Exchange of views on “Sport for all: a bridge to equality, integration and social inclusion”</p> <p>in the context of the report being prepared by Carmen Quintanilla (Spain, EPP/CD), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Miguel Sagarra, Governing Board Member of the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) • Marie-Françoise Potereau, President of <i>FEMIX'SPORTS</i> and interfederal Advisor responsible for the feminisation of sports' federations at the Ministry of City, Youth and Sports (France)
<p>9.15–10.00 am Room 10, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Hearing on “Strengthening the protection and role of human rights defenders in Council of Europe member States”</p> <p>in the context of the report being prepared by Mailis Reps (Estonia, ALDE), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Souhayr Belhassen, Honorary President, <i>International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH)</i> (Paris) • Andrew Henderson, Deputy Director, <i>Front Line Defenders, The International Foundation for the Protection of Human Rights Defenders</i> (Dublin)
<p>8.30–10 am Room 8, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons</p>	<p>► Training for parliamentarians with a view to the visit of a detention centre on 18 December 2015</p> <p>in the context of International Migrants' Day (18 December 2015), with the participation of an expert from the Association for the Prevention of Torture (APT)</p>
<p>2–3.30 pm Room 8, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Exchange of views on “Access to school and education for all children”</p> <p>in the context of the report being prepared by Gvozden Srećko Flego, Croatia (SOC), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professor David Little, Trinity College (Dublin)
<p>2–3.30 pm Room 7, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► 25th meeting of the PACE Network of Contact Parliamentarians to stop sexual violence against children</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • with Gabriella Battaini Dragoni, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe <p>Exchange of views on the theme “Protecting children against sexual violence online” with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jutta Croll, Executive Director, Online Child Protection Centre (I-KIZ) (Germany) • Kristof Claesen, Policy and Public Affairs Manager, <i>Internet Watch Foundation (IWF)</i> (United Kingdom)

NB. This list includes non-plenary events organised or held under the auspices of Assembly committees, national delegations or political groups, or involving the Assembly's President, rapporteurs or other members. It is not necessarily exhaustive, and may be subject to last-minute changes.