

## VIII. Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities and Institutional Affairs

<b>Title of draft report</b>	<b>Defending the acquis of the Council of Europe: preserving 65 years of successful intergovernmental co-operation</b>
<b>Origin</b>	<b>Motion</b>
Title	Defending the acquis of the Council of Europe: preserving 65 years of successful intergovernmental cooperation
Number	13322
<b>Rapporteur</b>	<b>KOX, Tiny</b>
Country	Netherlands
Political Group	UEL
Appointed on	29/09/2015
<b>Former rapporteur(s)</b>	30/01/2014 (TÜRKEŞ, Tuğrul, Turkey, EDG)
<b>Reference</b>	
Number	4009
Date	22/11/2013
Extended on	14/10/2016 (02/10/2015)
Valid until	30/09/2017
<b>Others</b>	
State of work in committee	<p>On 20 April 2016, the committee considered an introductory memorandum and invited the rapporteur to present a preliminary draft report at one of its next meetings.</p> <p>On 23 June 2016, the committee considered a revised introductory memorandum, held a hearing with the participation of Ms Hanne Juncher, Head of the Justice and Legal Co-operation Department, Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law, Council of Europe, and invited the rapporteur to present a preliminary draft report at a forthcoming meeting.</p> <p>On 11 October 2016, the committee considered a preliminary draft report, authorised the rapporteur to undertake fact-finding visits in Spain and Ukraine, subject to the availability of funds, and agreed to organise an expert hearing at its next meeting.</p> <p>On 2 December 2016, the committee held a roundtable with the participation of Professor Katja Ziegler, Professor of international law, Director of the Centre of European Law and Internationalisation (CELI), University of Leicester; Mr Rolf Alter, Director of Public Governance and Territorial Development, OECD; Mr Jörg Polakiewicz, Director of Legal Advice and Public International Law, Legal counsellor of the Council of Europe; and Mr Mark Entin, Head of Department of European law, Vice-president of Russian Association of European studies and International law, MGIMO University, Moscow.</p> <p>On 25 January 2017, the committee heard a statement by the rapporteur on his fact-finding visit to Kyiv (Ukraine) from 10 to 12 January 2017 and took note of an information memorandum.</p> <p>On 27 April 2017, the committee heard a statement by the rapporteur on his fact-finding visit to Madrid (Spain) on 8 March 2017, and invited him to present a draft report at a next meeting.</p> <p>On 28 June 2017, the committee considered a draft report.</p> <p>On 20 September 2017, the committee will continue consideration of a draft report.</p>
Adopted in committee on	
Doc. No. of report	
Date of debate foreseen	2017 - Fourth part-session

<b>Title of draft report</b>	<b>Effective representation and participation in the Parliamentary Assembly of opposition parliamentarians in the member States</b>
<b>Origin</b>	<b>Motion</b>
Title	Effective representation and participation in the Parliamentary Assembly of opposition parliamentarians in the member States
Number	13620
<b>Rapporteur</b>	<b>XUCLÀ, Jordi</b>
Country	Spain
Political Group	ALDE
Appointed on	28/01/2016
<b>Former rapporteur(s)</b>	12/12/2014 (AGRAMUNT, Pedro, Spain, EPP/CD)

**Reference**

Number 4091  
 Date 17/11/2014  
 Extended on 14/10/2016  
 Valid until 30/11/2017

**Others**

State of work in committee On 23 June 2015, the committee considered an introductory memorandum and approved a questionnaire to national delegations.  
 On 17 May 2016, the committee considered an introductory memorandum.  
 It authorised the rapporteur to undertake fact-finding visits to Armenia, Georgia, the Republic of Moldova and Turkey, subject to confirmation.  
 On 13 March 2017, the committee heard a statement by the rapporteur on his fact-finding visits to Ankara (Turkey) on 1 March 2017 and to Chisinau (Republic of Moldova) on 2 March 2017, and invited him to present a preliminary draft report at a next meeting.

Adopted in committee on  
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**Title of draft report** **Follow-up to Resolution 1903 (2012): promoting and strengthening transparency, accountability and integrity of Parliamentary Assembly members**

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**Origin**

Title Follow-up to Resolution 1903 (2012): promoting and strengthening transparency, accountability and integrity of Parliamentary Assembly members  
 Number 13885

**Rapporteur**

Country United Kingdom  
 Political Group EC  
 Appointed on 10/12/2015

**Reference**

Number 4158  
 Date 27/11/2015  
 Valid until 27/11/2017

**Others**

State of work in committee On 23 June 2016, the committee considered an introductory memorandum.  
 On 11 October 2016, the committee considered a revised information memorandum and invited the rapporteur to present a preliminary draft report at a forthcoming meeting.  
 On 25 January 2017, the committee heard a statement by the rapporteur, held an exchange of views with Mr Gianluca Esposito, Executive Secretary of the Group of States against corruption (GRECO), took note of letters from several national delegations to the Assembly and some international non-governmental organisations working to protect human rights and combat corruption, and decided to request the GRECO to review the Assembly ethical framework, in particular the rules governing lobbying, and assess the code of conduct of Assembly members, in particular the enforcement mechanisms and sanctions.  
 On 26 January 2017, the committee approved a statement on allegations of corruption and fostering of interests made against some members or former members of the Assembly.  
 On 13 March 2017, in the absence of the rapporteur, the committee held a hearing with the participation of Ms Kathryn Hudson, Parliamentary Commissioner for Standards, United Kingdom, Ms Chiara Malasomma, Head of Unit, and Ms Elisabeth Bauer, Administrator, Transparency Unit, Directorate for Interinstitutional Affairs and Legislative Coordination, European Parliament, and invited the rapporteur to present a draft report at its next meeting.  
 On 26 April 2017, the committee held an exchange of views with Mr Marin Mrčela, President of the Group of States against Corruption (GRECO) and, in the absence of the rapporteur, considered a preliminary draft report presented by Sir Roger Gale (United Kingdom, EC).  
 On 27 June 2017, the committee considered and took note of the Assessment report of the Group of States against Corruption (GRECO) of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Parliamentary Assembly and considered a draft report.  
 On 20 September 2017, the committee will consider a revised preliminary draft resolution taking into account members' comments.

Adopted in committee on

Doc. No. of report  
Date of debate foreseen

2017 - Fourth part-session

<b>Title of draft report</b>	<b>The need to enable the Committee of Ministers to give answers to the Assembly even in the absence of a consensus</b>
<b>Origin</b>	<b>Motion</b>
Title	The need to enable the Committee of Ministers to give answers to the Assembly even in the absence of a consensus
Number	14101
Date	22/06/2016
<b>Rapporteur</b>	<b>SCHENNACH, Stefan</b>
Country	Austria
Political Group	SOC
Appointed on	02/12/2016
<b>Reference</b>	
Number	4236
Date	14/10/2016
Valid until	14/10/2018
<b>Others</b>	
State of work in committee	On 2 December 2016, the committee held an exchange of views on the issue of replies given by the Committee of Ministers to written questions from Assembly members, on the basis of an information document prepared by the secretariat. On 28 June 2017, the committee held an exchange of views with Mr Emil Ruffer, Chair of the Ministers' Deputies of the Council of Europe, and invited the rapporteur to present a preliminary draft report at a next meeting.
Adopted in committee on	
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Date of debate foreseen	

<b>Title of draft report</b>	<b>Establishment of a European Union mechanism on democracy, the rule of law and fundamental rights</b>
<b>Origin</b>	<b>Motion</b>
Title	Establishment of an European Union mechanism on democracy, the rule of law and fundamental rights
Number	14317
<b>Rapporteur</b>	<b>SUTTER, Petra De</b>
Country	Belgium
Political Group	SOC
Appointed on	28/06/2017
<b>Committee for opinion</b>	Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy
Rapporteur	To be appointed
<b>Committee for opinion</b>	Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights
Rapporteur	To be appointed
<b>Reference</b>	
Number	4308
Date	30/06/2017
Valid until	30/06/2019
<b>Others</b>	
State of work in committee	
Adopted in committee on	
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