



PACE Summer Session (22-26 June 2015)

Events

Monday 22 June 2015	
<p>2–4 pm Room 1 and 5, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>Celebrations of the 60th anniversary of the Europe Prize</p> <p>2 pm Debate on “Living together in multicultural societies: respect, dialogue, interaction” chaired by Valeriu Ghiletschi, Chairperson of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development (Room 1)</p> <p>Introduction by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dirk Hilbert, acting Mayor of Dresden (Germany) - Fredrik Nelander, Mayor of Vara (Sweden) - Nils Muižnieks, Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of Europe <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed black;"/> <p>3 pm Official ceremony (Assembly Chamber)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Opening and speech by PACE President Anne Brasseur - Speech by Jean-Claude Frécon, President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities - Speech by Councillor Michael Hammon, Lord Mayor of Coventry - Symbolic award of the Europe Prize to the Mayors of the 2015 winning towns, Dresden (Germany) and Vara (Sweden) by Axel E. Fischer, Chairperson of the Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize - European Anthem <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed black;"/> <p>4 pm Award ceremony for the European diplomas (Room 5)</p>
<p>1–2 pm Room 3, Palais</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>“Protecting whistleblowers – why is it a democratic necessity?”</p> <p>Side-event sponsored by Pieter Omtzigt (Netherlands, EPP/CD), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Martin Woods (United Kingdom), banking and money laundering - Yasmine Motarjemi (Switzerland), food safety and multinationals - Miranda Brown (United Nations), protecting the vulnerable - Nicole-Marie Meyer (France), whistleblowing and anti-corruption - Anna Myers, Coordinator, Coordinator, <i>Whistleblowing International Network</i>
<p>1–2 pm Room 7, Palais</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>“In Western Sahara: Peace in danger – Monitoring of PACE Resolution 2004 (2014) on Parliamentary contribution to resolving the Western Sahara conflict”</p> <p>Side-event sponsored by Maria Teresa Bertuzzi (Italy, SOC)</p>
<p>2–3 pm Room 10, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights</p> <p><i>Not open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Hearing on “Access to justice and the Internet: potential and challenges”</p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Jordi Xuclà (Spain, ALDE) with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Iveta Havlova, Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) expert, Strategic Alliances Director at “Youstice” (Czech Republic)

Tuesday 23 June 2015	
<p>8.30–9.15 am Room 3, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Hearing on “Systematic collection of data on violence against women”</p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Maria Edera Spadoni (Italy, NR), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sylvia Walby, Distinguished Professor of Sociology, UNESCO Chair in Gender Research, Lancaster University (United Kingdom) - Therese Murphy, Head of Operations, <i>European Institute for Gender Equality</i> (EIGE), Vilnius (Lithuania)
<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>► Exchange of views on “Organised crime and migrants”</p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Irakli Chikovani (Georgia, ALDE), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Martin Fowke, Crime Prevention Expert, UN Office on Drugs and Crime
<p>1.15–2 pm Room 1, Palais</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>“Whistleblowing – the way forward”</p> <p>Side-event sponsored by Pieter Omtzigt (Netherlands, EPP/CD), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Edward Snowden (by videolink) - Morton Halperin (by videolink), former State Department Advisor, Senior Advisor to <i>Open Society Foundations</i> (United States) - Martin Woods, <i>Reuters</i>, Money Laundering Reporting Officer - Anna Myers, Coordinator, Coordinator, <i>Whistleblowing International Network</i>
<p>1.15–2 pm Room 3, Palais</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>“Ukraine: to be free”</p> <p>Side-event sponsored by Volodymyr Arieu (Ukraine, EPP/CD), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Igor Savichenko, <i>Babylon’13 Film Production</i> - Olexandra Matviychuk, <i>Euromaidan SOS</i> <p>Show of four short documentaries about events on Maidan in February 2014 and in Eastern Donbass – produced by <i>Babylon’13 Film Production</i> – followed by discussion.</p>
<p>1.15–2 pm Room 5, Palais</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>“From the Council of Europe Chairmanship to the European Games – A year of human rights violations in Azerbaijan”</p> <p>Side-event sponsored by Frank Schwabe (Germany, SOC), Tiny Kox (Netherlands, UEL), Michael McNamara (Ireland, SOC) and Jordi Xuclà (ALDE, Spain), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dinara Yunus, daughter of detained human rights defenders Leyla and Arif Yunus - Dominika Bychawska-Siniarska, <i>Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights</i> - Giorgi Gogia, <i>Human Rights Watch</i> - John Dalhuisen, <i>Amnesty International</i> - Kenan Aliyev, <i>Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty</i>
<p>2–3.30 am Room 6, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media</p> <p><i>Not open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Exchange of views on “Towards a European framework of competences for democratic citizenship, human rights and intercultural”</p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Jacques Legendre (France, EPP/CD), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Snežana Samardžić-Marković, Director General of Democracy of the Council of Europe
<p>2.45–3.30 pm Room 10, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights</p> <p><i>Not open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Hearing on “Urgent need to prevent human rights violations during peaceful protests”</p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Antti Kaikkonen (Finland, ALDE), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - John Dalhuisen, Director for Europe and Central Asia, <i>Amnesty International</i> - Michael Boyle, Chief Executive, The Northern Ireland Police Fund, Belfast, Northern Ireland (United Kingdom)

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<p>2–3.30 pm Room 7, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination</p> <p>Meeting of the No Hate Parliamentary Alliance, jointly organised with the Committee on Social Questions, Health and Sustainable Development</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Hearing on “Preventing Islamophobia while combating radicalization of young people”, with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PACE President Anne Brasseur - Professor Tahir Abbas, Department of Sociology, Fatih University, Istanbul, (Turkey) - Bernard De Vos, Ombudsman for Children’s Rights of the Federation Wallonia-Brussels (Belgium) - Francesco Ragazzi, Lecturer of International Relations, Institute of Political Science, Leiden University (Netherlands)
<p>2–3.30 pm Room 9, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy</p> <p><i>Not open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Hearing on the “Political evolution in Iran”</p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Josette Durrieu (France, SOC), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - François Nicoulaud, Former Ambassador of France in Tehran, international political analyst - Pietro Marcenaro, former Chairperson of the Committee
Wednesday 24 June 2015	
<p>1–2 pm Room 3, Palais</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>“The definition of Islamophobia”</p> <p>Side-event sponsored by Reha Denemeç (Turkey, EC)</p>
<p>1–2 pm Room 5, Palais</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>“The report that killed Boris Nemtsov: the truth about the war in Ukraine revealed”</p> <p>Side-event sponsored by Robert Walter (United Kingdom, EC), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alfred Koch, former Deputy Prime Minister of the Russian Federation - Ilya Yashin, leading opposition figure
<p>2–3.30 pm Room 11, Palais</p> <p>Parliamentary Network Women Free from Violence</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Hearing on “Female genital mutilation”, with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Naana Otoo-Oyortey, Director of <i>Forward</i> (United Kingdom) and Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the European Network End FGM, Brussels (Belgium) - Pierre Foldes, surgeon, and Frédérique Martz, Director, Institut en santé génésique, St-Germain-en-Laye (France)
<p>2–3.30 pm Room 6, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media</p> <p><i>Not 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 prepared by Gvozden Srećko Flego (Croatia, SOC), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sjur Bergan, Head of the Education Department and Director of Democratic Citizenship and Participation <i>ad interim</i>, Council of Europe Directorate General of Democracy (DG II) <p>► Exchange of views on “Platform for the protection of journalism and the safety of journalists”</p> <p>with the participation of Matjaž Gruden, Policy Planning Director of the Council of Europe</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>► Hearing on “For a Europe without detained immigrant children”</p> <p>in the context of the mandate of the General Rapporteur on “Ending immigration detention of children”, Doris Fiala (Switzerland, ALDE), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Georgia Spyropoulou, Special Advisor of the alternate Minister for Migration Policy of Greece - Genevieve Sauberli, Human Rights Officer, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) - Andrea Vonkeman, Senior Policy Officer, Bureau for Europe, UNHCR - Meltem Avcil, former detainee in the Yar’s Wood Detention Centre <p>► Exchange of views on “Rights of migrant workers”</p> <p>in the context of the consideration of the UN International Convention on the rights of all migrant workers and members of their families, with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pietro Marcenaro, former Chairperson of the Human Rights Committee of the Italian Senate, President of the Centre of African Studies

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<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>► Hearing on “Protecting patients and public health against undue influence of the pharmaceutical industry”</p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Liliane Maury Pasquier (Switzerland, SOC), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Peter Beyer, Senior Advisor, Essential Medicines and Health Products, <i>World Health Organization (WHO)</i> - François Bouvy, Director, Market Access, <i>European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations (EFPIA)</i> - Patrick Durisch, Health Programme Coordinator, Berne Declaration – member of Health Action International Network (HAI)
Thursday 25 June 2015	
<p>8.30–10 am Room 10 Palais</p> <p>Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights</p> <p><i>Not open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Hearing on “Transparency and openness in European institutions”</p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Nataša Vučković (Serbia, SOC), by with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Francesco Maiani, Associate professor, Institut de hautes études en administration publique, IDHEAP, Lausanne (Switzerland) - Olivier Hoedeman, Research and Campaigns Coordinator, Corporate Europe Observatory, Brussels (Belgium) - Marta Hirsch-Ziembinska, Head of Unit, Office of the European Ombudsman (Strasbourg)
<p>8.30–10 am Room 6, Palais</p> <p>Sub-Committee on Culture, Diversity and Heritage</p> <p><i>Not open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Exchange of views on “Educational and cultural networks of communities living abroad”</p> <p>in the context of a report prepared by Pierre-Yves Le Borgn’ (France, SOC), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sarah Mastantuoni, <i>Organisation of the Swiss Abroad</i>, Bern (Switzerland) - Sevim Taşçı, Advisor for integration matters, Saarland (Germany)
<p>9–10 am Room 7, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development</p> <p><i>Open to the press</i></p>	<p>► 24th meeting of the PACE Network of Contact Parliamentarians to stop sexual violence against children</p> <p>Exchange of views on the theme “Treatment of child sex offenders”, with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Eleni Karayianni, PsyD, Licensed Clinical Psychologist and Clinical Training Coordinator, Department of Psychology, University of Cyprus (Cyprus)
<p>2–3.30 pm Room 6, Palais</p> <p>Committee on Culture, Science, Education and Media</p> <p><i>Not open to the press</i></p>	<p>► Exchange of views on “Culture and democracy”</p> <p>in the context of the report prepared by Vesna Marjanović (Serbia, SOC), with the participation of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Claudia Luciani, Director of Democratic Governance and Cultural Diversity, Council of Europe Directorate General of Democracy (DG II)

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.