ODIHR: three decades and ready for the future
Democracy, human rights and security

14-15 October 2021
(Warsaw and Online)

AGENDA

Day 1

10.00 – 10.30  OPENING SESSION
Opening remarks:
Mr. Matteo Meccaci, ODIHR Director

Ms. Ann Linde, OSCE Chairperson-in-Office, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Sweden

Mr. Szymon Szynkowski vel Sęk, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Poland

11.00 – 13.00  HIGH-LEVEL PANEL
Human rights and democracy: advancing the OSCE’s unique vision of security

Panelists:
Ms. Helga Maria Schmid, OSCE Secretary-General

Ms. Teresa Ribeiro, OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media

Mr. Kairat Abdrakhmanov OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities

Ms. Margareta Cederfelt, President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly

Ms. Agnès Callamard, Secretary General, Amnesty International

Moderator: Mr. Matteo Meccaci, ODIHR Director
13.30 – 14.30

SPECIAL FOCUS SESSION
Levelling up: inclusive participation in public and political life

Introducers:
Mr. Ethan Young, Councilor
Ms. Liliana Palihovici, Special Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Gender
Mr. Saša Gavrič, Gender expert, ODIHR

Moderator: Ms. Kateryna Ryabiko ODIHR First Deputy Director

15.00 – 17.30

SESSION I
Democracy as the only legitimate system of government in the OSCE region

Panelists:
Mr. Kevin Casas-Zamora, Secretary General of the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance, International IDEA
Mr. Yuri Dzhibladze, Civic Solidarity Platform
Ms. Rita Izsák-Ndiaye, Personal Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Children and Security
Mr. Oliver Kask, Member of the Venice Commission, President of the Council for Democratic Elections

Moderator: Mr. Konstantine Vardzelashvili, Chief, Legislative Support Unit, Democratization Departments, ODIHR

18.00

RECEPTION
Offered by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland
Venue: Hotel Westin, ul. Jana Pawla II 21
Day 2

9.30 – 12.00

SESSION II
Promoting and protecting human rights and fundamental freedoms together

Panelists:
- **Ms. Racha Haffar**, Founder and CEO of Youth Against Slavery Movement
- **Ms. Oleksandra Matviychuk**, Human Rights Defender and Recipient of US Mission's Freedom Award
- **Mr. Hugh Williamson**, Director, Europe & Central Asia Division, Human Rights Watch

*Moderator: Ms. Andrea Huber, Head, Human Rights Department, ODIHR*

13.30 – 16.00

SESSION III
Addressing all forms of intolerance and discrimination and building equal and inclusive societies

Panelists:
- **Ms. Marine Kapanadze**, Director of the Civil and Political Rights Program at Georgian Democracy Initiative (GDI) in Tbilisi, Georgia
- **Mr. Enwereuzor Udo**, COSPE thematic manager on Migration, Minorities and Citizenship Rights and Italian representative of the CONCORD Europe Migration & Development Task Force
- **Ms. Margareta Matache**, Director of the Harvard FXB Roma Programme

*Moderator: Mr. Kishan Manocha, Head, Tolerance and Non-Discrimination, ODIHR*
16.30 – 18.00  

**CLOSING SESSION**

*Statements by the participating States*

**Closing remarks:**

- **Mr. Pawel Radomski**, Director of the United Nations and Human Rights Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland

- **Mr. Kent Härstedt**, Special Envoy, Swedish OSCE Chairpersonship

- **Mr. Matteo Meccaci**, ODIHR Director

18.00  

Closing of the meeting

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