Conference Programme

Monday, 26 September
14.00-15.00 Opening
15.00-17.00 Statements by participating States
19.00-21.00 Reception

Tuesday, 27 September
10.00-13.00 Plenary Session I: Democratic Institutions
Democratic elections; democracy at the national, regional and local levels; Equal participation in political and public life; National human rights institutions and the role of civil society in the protection of human rights
13.00-14.00 Lunch break
14.00-15.00 Side events on the day’s topics
15.30-16.30 Side events on the day’s topics, including a Roundtable with ODIHR
17.00-18.00 Side events on the day’s topics

Wednesday, 28 September
10.00-13.00 Plenary Session II: Fundamental freedoms I
Freedom of religion or belief; Freedom of assembly and association; Human rights defenders; Freedom of movement
13.00-15.00 Networking in the CSOs Lounge
15.30-16.30 Side events on the day’s topics
17.00-18.00 Side events on the day’s topics

Thursday, 29 September
10.00-13.00 Plenary Session III: Tolerance and Non-Discrimination I
Addressing racism, xenophobia, discrimination and intolerance, including based on religion or belief
13.00-14.00 Lunch break
14.00-15.00 Side events on the day’s topics
15.30-16.30  Side events on the day’s topics
17.00-18.00  Side events on the day’s topics

Friday, 30 September

10.00-13.00  Plenary Session IV: Fundamental freedoms II
             Freedom of opinion and expression, media freedom; Safety of journalists
13.00-14.00  Lunch break
14.00-15.00  Side events on the day’s topics
15.30-16.30  Side events on the day’s topics, including a Roundtable with RFOM
17.00-18.00  Side events on the day’s topics

Monday, 3 October

10.00-13.00  Plenary Session V: Tolerance and Non-Discrimination II
             Rights of persons belonging to national minorities; Treatment of citizens of other
             States and human rights of migrants; Roma and Sinti issues; Equal opportunities and
             rights for women and men; Violence against women and children
13.00-14.00  Lunch break
14.00-15.00  Side events on the day’s topics, including a Roundtable with HCNM
15.30-16.30  Side events on the day’s topics
17.00-18.00  Side events on the day’s topics

Tuesday, 4 October

10.00-13.00  Plenary Session VI: Rule of Law I
             Prevention and eradication of torture; Abolition of capital punishment; Protection of
             human rights and fighting terrorism
13.00-15.00  Networking in the CSOs Lounge
15.30-16.30  Side events on the day’s topics
17.00-18.00  Side events on the day’s topics
Wednesday, 5 October

10.00-13.00  Plenary Session VII: Rule of Law II
Democratic law-making, Independence of the judiciary, Right to a fair trial, including in case of armed conflict

13.00-14.00  Lunch break

14.00-15.00  Side events on the day’s topics

15.30-16.30 Side events on the day’s topics, including a Roundtable with OSCE PA

17.00-18.00 Side events on the day’s topics

Thursday, 6 October

10.00-13.00  Plenary Session VIII: Humanitarian Issues
Humanitarian issues, including in the context of armed conflict; Refugees and displaced persons; Persons at risk of displacement; Trafficking in human beings

13.00-14.00  Lunch break

14.00-15.00  Side events on the day’s topics

15.30-16.30 Side events on the day’s topics

17.00-18.00 Side events on the day’s topics

Friday, 7 October

10.00-13.00  Closing session