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AGENDA, TIMETABLE AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL
MODALITIES OF THE 2015 HUMAN DIMENSION SEMINAR**

**The role of national human rights institutions (NHRI) in promoting and
protecting human rights in the OSCE area**

(Warsaw, 1–3 June 2015)

I. Agenda

1. Opening of the Seminar
2. Opening plenary: Keynote addresses
3. Discussion in four working groups:
 - Working group I: Establishing NHRIs and strengthening their independence and effectiveness
 - Working group II: Good practices in the work of NHRIs in promotion and protection of human rights
 - Working group III: Co-operation between NHRIs and other actors
 - Working group IV: Improving the work of NHRIs and ways to overcome challenges
4. Closing plenary: Summing up and closing of the Seminar

II. Timetable and other organizational modalities

1. The Seminar will open on Monday, 1 June 2015, at 10 a.m. It will close on Wednesday, 3 June 2015 at 6 p.m.
2. All plenary sessions and working group sessions will be open to all participants.

3. The closing plenary session, scheduled for the afternoon of 3 June 2015, will focus on practical suggestions and recommendations for addressing the issues discussed during the working group sessions.
4. The plenary and working group sessions will take place in accordance with the work programme below.
5. A representative of the ODIHR will chair the plenary sessions.
6. The Rules of Procedure of the OSCE and the modalities for OSCE meetings on human dimension issues (Permanent Council Decision No. 476) will be followed, *mutatis mutandis*, at the Seminar. Furthermore, the guidelines for organizing OSCE meetings (Permanent Council Decision No. 762) will also be taken into account.
7. The discussions during the plenary and working group sessions will be interpreted from and into the six working languages of the OSCE.

III. Work programme

Working hours: 10 a.m.–1 p.m.
3–6 p.m.

	Monday 1 June 2015	Tuesday 2 June 2015	Wednesday 3 June 2015
Morning	Opening plenary session	WG II	WG IV
Afternoon	WG I	WG III	Closing plenary session