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DECISION No. 1511
AGENDA, TIMETABLE AND ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES OF
THE 2025 OSCE ASIAN CONFERENCE

(Vienna, 11 and 12 November 2025)

The Permanent Council,

Further to the discussion within the framework of the OSCE Asian Partners for
Co-operation Group,

Welcoming the offer of Malta and the Republic of Korea to co-host the 2025 OSCE
Asian Conference,

Decides:

1. That the 2025 OSCE Asian Conference will take place in Vienna on 11 and 12 November 2025 on the topic “Strengthening international peace and security on the basis of close interconnection between Europe and Asia”;
2. To organize the 2025 OSCE Asian Conference in accordance with the agenda and organizational modalities contained in the annex to this decision.

**AGENDA, TIMETABLE AND ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES
OF THE 2025 OSCE ASIAN CONFERENCE
“STRENGTHENING INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY ON
THE BASIS OF CLOSE INTERCONNECTION BETWEEN EUROPE
AND ASIA”**

(Vienna, 11 and 12 November 2025)

**Co-organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea,
the Ministry for Foreign Affairs and Tourism of the Republic of Malta, and
the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE)**

I. Agenda

Tuesday, 11 November 2025

3–4 p.m.

Opening remarks

Addresses by:

- Representative of Malta, Chair of the OSCE Asian Partners for Co-operation Group
- Representative of the Republic of Korea
- Representative of Finland (OSCE Chairmanship)
- Representative of Switzerland, Chair of the OSCE Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation Group
- Secretary General of the OSCE
- Representatives of the OSCE Asian Partners for Co-operation

4–5.30 p.m.

Session 1: New technological developments and cybersecurity:
the role of confidence-building measures

Amidst rapid technological developments and the growing complexity of cyberthreats, the importance of confidence-building measures (CBMs) is increasingly underscored as an essential tool for mitigating risks and preventing misperceptions, with the OSCE performing a pioneering role as the first regional organization to establish cyber/ICT CBMs. This session will focus on:

- Assessing emerging cyberthreats stemming from rapid technological developments, and their implications for international security;
- Exploring the impact of new risks deriving from AI and other disruptive technologies;
- Sharing best practices and innovative approaches to strengthening transparency and information-sharing mechanisms.

Wednesday, 12 November 2025

10–11.30 a.m.

Session 2: Protecting critical infrastructure and economic security in the digital era

Digital transformation has increased the reliance of critical infrastructures – such as energy, finance, transportation and communications – on digital technologies and networks, thereby exposing them to vulnerabilities of new kinds. This session will focus on:

- Digital transformation and structural vulnerabilities in critical infrastructure;
- Strengthening protection and resilience of critical infrastructure in Europe and Asia;
- Exploring ways to promote public-private partnerships for infrastructure security.

11.30 a.m.–12 noon

Coffee break

12 noon–1.30 p.m.

Session 3: The role of youth in building sustainable peace

Owing to their community influence and innovative capacities, young people are recognized as important agents of change and key enablers of sustainable peace. Inclusive youth participation helps prevent radicalization, strengthens social resilience, and makes peacebuilding efforts more effective and sustainable. This session will focus on:

- Sharing successful cases of youth-led peace initiatives (post-conflict reconstruction, disarmament, social engagement etc.);
- Facilitating youth networking and engagement through OSCE youth platforms such as the Pool of Young Experts;
- Broadening interregional co-operation to strengthen the participation of young people in peace and security issues.

1.30–2 p.m.

Closing remarks

II. Participation

The OSCE participating States and Partners for Co-operation are invited to attend and contribute to the Conference.

The OSCE Executive Structures and the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly will be invited to participate in and contribute to the Conference.

The international organizations that may be invited are the security-related organizations mentioned in Permanent Council Decision No. 951 of 29 July 2010.

Consideration will be given to the possibility of inviting security-related scientific institutes, think tanks of international standing and NGOs to be represented as members of national delegations.

III. Timetable and other organizational modalities

The Conference will begin at 3 p.m. (opening remarks) on 11 November 2025 and end at 2 p.m. on 12 November 2025.

Each session will have a moderator and a rapporteur. The consolidated summary will be forwarded to the Permanent Council.

The Rules of Procedure and working methods of the OSCE will be applied, *mutatis mutandis*, to the Conference.

The Conference will be held in Vienna. The working language will be English.

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**INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT UNDER
PARAGRAPH IV.1(A)6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND
CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE**

By the delegation of Kyrgyzstan (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Türkiye and Uzbekistan):

“Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

The following participating States – Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Türkiye and Uzbekistan – align themselves with this statement.

In connection with the adoption of this decision on the agenda, timetable and organizational modalities of the 2025 OSCE Asian Conference, we would like to make the following interpretative statement under paragraph IV.1(A)6 of the OSCE Rules of Procedure.

We welcome the offer by Malta and the Republic of Korea to co-host the 2025 OSCE Asian Conference on 11 and 12 November 2025 in Vienna. We express our support to the agenda of the Asian Conference devoted to the topic ‘Strengthening international peace and security on the basis of close interconnection between Europe and Asia’.

As the current chair of the Organization of Turkic States we would like to remind that – 16 years ago – the Nakhchivan Agreement on the establishment of the Cooperation Council of Turkic States was signed on 3 October 2009.

During the 8th Summit held in November 2021 in Istanbul, this Council was transformed to the Organization of Turkic States.

The Organization is dedicated to strengthening peace and stability, promoting wide-ranging co-operation and disclosing the potential for common development among its member States.

The Organization operates in similar areas with the OSCE, which offers an untapped potential for increased co-operation between the two Organizations.

In this regard, we call on the Chairmanship of Malta to invite the Organization of Turkic States to the upcoming Asian Conference.

We request that this statement be attached to the decision and reflected in the journal of the day.

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.”

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Attachment 2

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**INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT UNDER
PARAGRAPH IV.1(A)6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR SECURITY AND
CO-OPERATION IN EUROPE**

By the delegation of the Russian Federation:

“Having joined the consensus regarding the Permanent Council decision on the agenda, timetable and organizational modalities of the 2025 OSCE Asian Conference, the Russian Federation notes the following.

We cannot agree with the wording of the conference’s topic, as the issues to be considered during the thematic sessions have nothing to do with topic of ‘strengthening international peace and security’, which falls within the exclusive purview of the United Nations Security Council.

Within the framework of the OSCE’s mandate, it would be useful to focus the discussions on the pressing issue of ensuring inclusive security in Asia – equal and indivisible for all. Russia’s policy in the region is of a stabilizing and balancing nature. At the same time, we are seeing an increase in activity by extraregional actors advocating risky projects for the militarization of Asia.

In view of the consideration during thematic session 3 of the topic ‘The role of youth in building sustainable peace’, we should like to draw attention once again to the problem of Russian representatives of this category being denied access to the relevant OSCE events. We regard this practice as discriminatory and requiring immediate rectification.

We stress that our expression of support for the decision is based on the desire to maintain consensus in the Organization.

We call upon the incoming Finnish Chairmanship of the Asian Partners for Co-operation Group to take these comments into account when making preparations for the OSCE Asian Conference in 2026. We are ready to engage constructively in this work.

I request that this statement be attached to the adopted decision and included in the journal of today’s meeting of the Permanent Council.”