



**Report on the Activities of the Chairperson-in-Office  
915<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Permanent Council, 7 June 2012**

- The Chairperson-in-Office will visit Yerevan, Tbilisi and Baku next week, from 11-14 June
- Judge Catherine McGuinness, CiO Personal Representative on Combating Racism, Xenophobia and Discrimination, also focusing on Intolerance and Discrimination against Christians and Members of Other Religions, Senator Adil Akhmetov CiO Personal Representative on Combating Intolerance and Discrimination against Muslims, and Rabbi Andrew Baker, CiO Personal Representative on Combating Anti-Semitism participated in the Congress of World and Traditional Religions held in Astana from 30-31 May
- The Chairperson of the Permanent Council, Ambassador Eoin O'Leary, and the Secretary General Lamberto Zannier visited Mongolia from 3 to 6 June. They were joined by a team of experts from the OSCE Institutions and the Secretariat. This visit was organised by the Chairmanship following Ministerial Council Decision No. 12/11 on the application of Mongolia to become an OSCE participating State. The purpose of this visit was to consult with key government officials and representatives of civil society about Mongolia's readiness to implement OSCE commitments. A series of meetings was held, including with the Prime Minister, the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade, the Minister of Environment, the State Secretary of Defence, and the National Security Adviser to the President. The OSCE experts had meetings with counterparts across all three dimensions. A report on this visit to Mongolia will be distributed by the Chairmanship at the end of June