



Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting

DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS AND ELECTION OBSERVATION

**12-13 July 2012
Hofburg, Vienna**

AGENDA

Day 1	12 July 2012
15:00 – 16:00	OPENING SESSION <i>Opening remarks:</i> Ambassador Eoin O’Leary, Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council, Permanent Representative of Ireland to the OSCE Ambassador Janez Lenarčič, Director, OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (OSCE/ODIHR) <i>Keynote speech:</i> Ms. Radmila Šekerinska, Former Deputy Prime Minister for European Integration of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia <i>Technical information by</i> Dr. Beata Martin-Rozumilowicz, Head of Elections Department of the OSCE/ODIHR
16:00 – 18:00	<u>SESSION I: Democratic elections in context of OSCE election-related commitments and their implementation (with focus on universal and equal suffrage rights: legislation and application)</u> <i>Moderator:</i> Mr. Craig Jenness, Director, Electoral Assistance Division, United Nations <i>Introducers:</i> Mr. Vladimir Churov, Chairperson of the Central Election Commission of the Russian Federation Ms. Corien Jonker, Former Member of the Dutch Parliament Mr. Graham Shields, Chief Electoral Officer, Electoral Office for Northern Ireland
18:00 – 21:00	Sommerfest reception hosted by the German Delegation to the OSCE

Day 2	13 July 2012
10:00 – 12:00	<u>SESSION II:</u> Election observation and the electoral cycle: before, during and after election day (with focus on legal framework, media, campaign finance, gender) <i>Moderator:</i> Ms. Irena Hadžiabdić, Former President and Current Member of the Central Election Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina <i>Introducers:</i> Dame Audrey Glover, Former Director of the OSCE/ODIHR Mr. Matteo Mecacci, Member of the Italian Parliament, Chair of the Committee on Democracy, Human Rights and Humanitarian Questions, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Mr. Miklos Haraszti, Former OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media
12:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 16:00	<u>SESSION III:</u> Follow-up to OSCE/ODIHR mission report recommendations and engagement with participating States <i>Moderator:</i> Ms. Malgorzata Wasilewska, Head of Division, Democracy & Elections, European External Action Service <i>Introducers:</i> Dr. Iurie Ciocan, President of the Central Election Commission of Moldova Mr. Dieter Sarreither, Deputy Federal Returning Officer, Office of the Federal Returning Officer, Germany Mr. Tuomas Pöysti, Head of National Audit Office, Finland
16:00 – 16:30	Break
16:30 – 17:30	CLOSING SESSION Reports by the Moderators of the Working Sessions Comments from the floor <i>Closing remarks</i> Ambassador Janez Lenarčič, Director of the OSCE/ODIHR
17:30	Closing of the meeting