

DEMOCRATIC LAW-MAKING: PRINCIPLES OF LAW-MAKING AND PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS

28 October 2020, Warsaw (online)

AGENDA

14.30 – 14.45 Opening of the Webinar

14.45 – 15.45 Session on Main Challenges and Opportunities of Good Law-Making Process

States should ensure that the process of making laws is open, inclusive and consultative and the resulting laws are human rights compliant. What are the elements that contribute to a conducive environment for good law-making?

- Respect for the principles of the Rule of Law, accountability and integrity of the law-making process, as a foundation of good law-making, highlighting good examples and interesting trends;
- Executive dominance, fast-tracking and emergency situations; Lessons learned from OSCE Law-Making Assessments.

15.45 – 16.45 Session on Public Consultations - Inclusivity and Public Participation

Public Consultations increase public engagement and trust in democratic institutions creating a sense of ownership. They promote pluralism, inclusivity and broader diversity, and secure meaningful involvement of civil society.

- Layers of public engagement and the need for responsiveness;
- Opportunities and challenges offered by new technologies.

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