Chairmanship: Ukraine

2013 HUMAN DIMENSION IMPLEMENTATION MEETING

Opening plenary session (open)

1. **Date:** Monday, 23 September 2013
   
   Opened: 10.15 a.m.
   
   Closed: 1 p.m.

2. **Chairperson:** Mr. J. Lenarčič (Director of the ODIHR) (Moderator)

3. **Subjects discussed – Statements:**

   Opening statements
   
   – Mr. B. Winid, Under-Secretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland
   – Ambassador I. Prokopchuk, Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council
   – Ms. D. Mijatović, OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media
   – Ms. A. Thors, OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities
   – Mr. M. S. Kulkuloglu, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly
   – Mr. A. Kobieracki, Director of the Conflict Prevention Centre
   – Mr. S. Lambrinidis, EU Special Representative for Human Rights

   ODIHR, EU Special Representative for Human Rights (special address),
   Lithuania-European Union, United States of America, Russian Federation,
   Norway, Canada, Sweden, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Turkey, Switzerland,
   Kazakhstan

   Right of reply: Uzbekistan, Ukraine

4. **Next meeting:**

   Monday, 23 September 2013, at 3 p.m., in the plenary hall
1. **Date:** Monday, 23 September 2013

   - **Opened:** 3.05 p.m.
   - **Closed:** 6.15 p.m.

2. **Chairperson:** Mr. A. Hug (Office of the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities) (Moderator)

3. **Subjects discussed – Statements:**

   **TOLERANCE AND NON-DISCRIMINATION I**
   - ADDRESS BY THE OSCE HIGH COMMISSIONER ON NATIONAL MINORITIES
   - NATIONAL MINORITIES
   - PREVENTING AGGRESSIVE NATIONALISM, RACISM AND CHAUVINISM

Right of reply: Turkey, Latvia, Estonia, Kyrgyzstan, Lithuania, Hungary, Czech Republic, Russian Federation, Romania, Ukraine, Greece, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

4. **Next meeting:**

   Tuesday, 24 September 2013, at 10 a.m., in the plenary hall
Working session 2 (open)

1. Date: Tuesday, 24 September 2013
   
   Opened: 10 a.m.
   Closed: 1.20 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ms. R. Sclafani, (CEJI – A Jewish Contribution to an Inclusive Europe) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:

   TOLERANCE AND NON-DISCRIMINATION II – REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMITMENTS ON PROMOTION OF MUTUAL RESPECT AND UNDERSTANDING
   
   – PREVENTION AND RESPONSES TO HATE CRIMES IN THE OSCE AREA
   – COMBATING RACISM, XENOPHOBIA AND DISCRIMINATION, ALSO FOCUSING ON INTOLERANCE AND DISCRIMINATION AGAINST CHRISTIANS AND MEMBERS OF OTHER RELIGIONS
   – COMBATING ANTI-SEMITISM
   – COMBATING INTOLERANCE AND DISCRIMINATION AGAINST MUSLIMS


Right of reply: Turkey, France, Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Russian Federation, Hungary, Belgium, Latvia, Lithuania, Czech Republic, Armenia, Azerbaijan

4. **Next meeting:**

Tuesday, 24 September 2013, at 3 p.m., in the plenary hall
Working session 3 (open)

1. Date: Tuesday, 24 September 2013

   Opened: 3.05 p.m.
   Closed: 6 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ms. J. Zeitlin (Special Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Gender Issues) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:

   TOLERANCE AND NON-DISCRIMINATION II (CONTINUED)

   – EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY FOR WOMEN AND MEN, INCLUDING:
     IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OSCE ACTION PLAN FOR THE
     PROMOTION OF GENDER EQUALITY
   – PREVENTION OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND CHILDREN


   Right of reply: Norway, United States of America, Germany, Sweden, Kazakhstan, United Kingdom, Belgium

4. Next meeting:

   Wednesday, 25 September 2013, at 10 a.m., in the plenary hall
Working session 4 (open)

1. Date: Wednesday, 25 September 2013
   
   Opened: 10.05 a.m.
   Closed: 1.10 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. A. Rikhter (Director of the Office of the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:

   FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS I, INCLUDING
   
   – FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION, FREE MEDIA AND INFORMATION, INCLUDING BEST PRACTICES FOR PROTECTION OF JOURNALISTS
   – ADDRESS BY THE OSCE REPRESENTATIVE ON FREEDOM OF THE MEDIA

Journalists, Alisher Navoi Institute (Institut D’Alisher Navoi), Kyrgyzstan, European Muslim Initiative for Social Cohesion, Foundation “Citizen Go”

Right of reply: Turkey, Uzbekistan, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Ukraine, Lithuania, Sweden, Azerbaijan, France, Greece, United States of America, Bulgaria, United Kingdom

4. **Next meeting:**

Wednesday, 25 September 2013, at 3 p.m., in the plenary hall
Working session 5 (open)

1. **Date:** Wednesday, 25 September 2013
   - **Opened:** 3.05 p.m.
   - **Closed:** 6.10 p.m.

2. **Chairperson:** Ms. O. Potemkina (Russian Academy of Sciences) (Moderator)

3. **Subjects discussed – Statements:**

   **FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS II, INCLUDING**
   - FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT
   - NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS AND THE ROLE OF CIVIL SOCIETY IN THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS
   - HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION

Right of reply: Russian Federation, Kazakhstan, Georgia, Germany, Turkey, Lithuania-European Union, United States of America, Azerbaijan, Armenia

4. **Next meeting:**

   Thursday, 26 September 2013, at 10 a.m., in the plenary hall
Working session 6 (specifically selected topic) (open)

1. **Date:** Thursday, 26 September 2013
   
   **Opened:** 10 a.m.
   **Closed:** 1 p.m.

2. **Chairperson:** Ms. R. Treneska-Deskoska (ODIHR Advisory Panel of Experts on Freedom of Religion or Belief) (Moderator)

3. **Subjects discussed – Statements:**

   **FREEDOM OF RELIGION OR BELIEF**

   ODIHR, Moderator, Mr. A. Bennett (Office of Religious Freedom) (Canada) (keynote speaker), Atheist Ireland, Human Rights Without Frontiers, Alliance Defending Freedom, United States of America, OSCE – NGO Network Sweden, Forum 18, SOVA Centre for Information and Analysis, Cultural Association “Giuseppe Dossetti: i Valori” – Observatory for Religious Tolerance and Freedom, Christian Solidarity Worldwide, Church of Christians of Evangelical Faith, Administrative Centre of Jehovah’s Witnesses in Russia, European Council of Religious Leaders, European Association of Jehovah’s Christian Witnesses (Belgium), Pentecostal Christian Congregation “Neues Leben” (Christliche Gemeinde des vollen Evangeliums “Neues Leben” e.V.), Russian Ministries, Committee of Associations and Individuals for Freedom of Conscience (Coordination des Associations et Particuliers pour la Liberte de Conscience), Citizen’s Movement Pax Europa (Bürgerbewegung Pax Europa e.V.), Greece (on behalf of the European Union), France, Federation of Western Thrace Turks in Europe, Turkish Association of Switzerland (Türkische Gemeinschaft Schweiz), United Kingdom, Russian Orthodox Church, International Civil Liberties Alliance, Russia Federation, Foundation “Citizen Go”, ACT! For Canada, Womenforfreedom, Evangelical Free Church “Kingdom of God”, Church of Scientology (Russia), TURSAM – Centre for Strategic Studies, Ecumenical Federation of Constantinopolitans, Centre for Security Policy, ACT! For America, Church of Scientology – Human Rights Office, Committee for the Protection of the Rights of Muslims of the Spiritual Administration of Muslims in the Asian Part of Russia, Open View Point, Freedom House, Association of Religious Organizations of Kazakhstan, Order of St. Andrew, Ukrainian Independent Council of Jewish Women, Tajikistan, Religious Information and Advisory Centre “Sana”, Gustav Stresemann Foundation (Gustav Stresemann Stiftung), Observatory on Intolerance and Discrimination Against Christians in Europe, Western Thrace Minority University Graduates Association, Ahmadiyya Muslim Community International, Norwegian Helsinki Committee, Atman Yoga Centre, Soteria International, Holy See, Information and Consultative Group “Perspective”, Austria, Set My People Free, Centre Association to Suffered of Destructive Religious Organizations, Kyrgyzstan, NGO “Salvation and Mercy” (“Salut et
4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 26 September 2013, at 3 p.m., in the plenary hall
Working session 7 (specifically selected topic) (open)

1. Date: Thursday, 26 September 2013

   Opened: 3.05 p.m.
   Closed: 5.35 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ms. I. Vik (ODIHR Advisory Panel of Experts on Freedom of Religion or Belief) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:

   FREEDOM OF RELIGION OR BELIEF (CONTINUED)

Right of reply: Georgia, Azerbaijan, United States of America, France, Bulgaria

4. **Next meeting:**

   Friday, 27 September 2013, at 10 a.m., in the plenary hall
Working session 8 (specifically selected topic) (open)

1. Date: Friday, 27 September 2013
   
   Opened: 10 a.m.
   Closed: 12.55 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ms. N. Tagwerker (ODIHR) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:

   FREEDOM OF ASSEMBLY AND ASSOCIATION


   Right of reply: United Kingdom, Turkey, France, Azerbaijan, Serbia, Ukraine

4. Next meeting:
   
   Friday, 27 September 2013, at 3 p.m., in the plenary hall
Working session 9 (specifically selected topic) (open)

1. **Date:** Friday, 27 September 2013  
   Opened: 3.10 p.m.  
   Closed: 5.40 p.m.

2. **Chairperson:** Mr. C. Ritchie (Expert Council on NGO Law) (Moderator)

3. **Subjects discussed – Statements:**

   FREEDOM OF ASSEMBLY AND ASSOCIATION (CONTINUED)


   Right of reply: Sweden, France, Georgia, Turkey, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Greece, United States of America

4. **Next meeting:**  
   Monday, 30 September 2013, at 10 a.m., in the plenary hall
Working session 10 (open)

1. **Date:** Monday, 30 September 2013
   
   *Opened:* 10.05 a.m.
   *Closed:* 12.50 p.m.

2. **Chairperson:** Ms. E. Biaudet (Ombudsman for Minorities) (Finland) (Moderator)

3. **Subjects discussed – Statements:**

   HUMANITARIAN ISSUES AND OTHER COMMITMENTS I
   
   – **COMBATING TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS**
   – **IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OSCE ACTION PLAN TO COMBAT TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS**

   ODIHR, Moderator, Ms. H. Konrad (Austrian Institute for International Affairs) (keynote speaker), OSCE Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings (keynote speaker), Netherlands Helsinki Committee, Canada, United States of America, Hungary (on behalf of the European Union), Russian Federation, Switzerland, Soteria International, Holy See, Czech Republic, Ukraine, Georgia, Eurasian Centre for Human Rights Protection, Armenia, Tajikistan, Council of Europe, Belarus, Thailand, “Istiqlolli Avlod” Youth Information Enlightening Centre, Independent Human Rights Organization of Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Coalition to Abolish Slavery and Trafficking, Serbia, Belgium, Institute of European Law and Human Rights

   Right of reply: Croatia

4. **Next meeting:**

   Monday, 30 September 2013, at 3 p.m., in the plenary hall
Working session 11 (open)

1. Date: Monday, 30 September 2013
   Opened: 3.05 p.m.
   Closed: 5.20 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. T. Vennen (ODIHR) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:
   DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS, INCLUDING
   – DEMOCRACY AT THE NATIONAL, REGIONAL AND LOCAL LEVELS
   – CITIZENSHIP AND POLITICAL RIGHTS


   Right of reply: Hungary, Latvia, Tajikistan, Ukraine

4. Next meeting:
   Tuesday, 1 October 2013, at 10 a.m., in the plenary hall
Working session 12 (specifically selected topic) (open)

1. Date: Tuesday, 1 October 2013
   
   Opened: 10.05 a.m.
   Closed: 1.05 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ms. B. Martin-Rozumilowicz (ODIHR) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:

   DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS AND ELECTION OBSERVATION – SHARING BEST PRACTICES

   ODIHR, Director of the ODIHR (keynote speaker), Ms. I. Santos (OSCE Parliamentary Assembly) (keynote speaker), Russian Federation, Germany (on behalf of the European Union), United States of America, CIS-EMO Centre for Monitoring Democratic Processes “Quorum”, Switzerland, Russian Public Institute of Electoral Law, United Kingdom, Czech Republic, Baltic Centre of Historical and Sociopolitical Research, Canada, Tajikistan, Social Democratic Party of Tajikistan, TURSAM – Centre for Strategic Studies, Analytical Centre “Politics”, Civic Chamber of the Russian Federation, Tunisian School of Politics, European Exchange, Belarus, Norwegian Helsinki Committee, Association “Inva-Sodeystvie”, Council of Europe, Human Rights Educational Centre, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Public Foundation “Golos Svobody”, Independent Human Rights Organization of Uzbekistan, Uzbekistan, Azerbaijan, Poland, Al Kawakibi Democracy Transition Centre, Parliament of the Non-Represented, Ukraine, Fund for Development of Parliamentarism in Kazakhstan

   Right of reply: Germany, Bulgaria, United States of America, Tajikistan, Latvia, Kazakhstan, Armenia, Russian Federation

4. Next meeting:

   Tuesday, 1 October 2013, at 3 p.m., in the plenary hall
Working session 13 (specifically selected topic) (open)

1. Date: Tuesday, 1 October 2013
   
   Opened: 3.10 p.m.
   Closed: 4.25 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ms. B. Martin-Rozumiłowicz (ODIHR) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:
   
  DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS AND ELECTION OBSERVATION – SHARING BEST PRACTICES (CONTINUED)

   ODIHR, Moderator, Ambassador S. Koçi (Albania) (keynote speaker), Germany (on behalf of the European Union), United States of America, Foundation “Belarusian House in Warsaw”, CIS-EMO Centre for Monitoring Democratic Processes “Quorum”, International Association of Independent Democrats, Russian Public Institute of Electoral Law, InterPolit, Baltic Centre of Historical and Sociopolitical Research, Slovenia, Russian Federation

   Right of reply: Hungary, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria

4. Next meeting:

   Wednesday, 2 October 2013, at 10 a.m., in the plenary hall
Working session 14 (open)

1. **Date:** Wednesday, 2 October 2013
   - Opened: 10.10 a.m.
   - Closed: 1.10 p.m.

2. **Chairperson:** Ms. E. Popkhadze (Georgian Young Lawyers’ Association) (Moderator)

3. **Subjects discussed – Statements:**

   **RULE OF LAW I, INCLUDING**
   - DEMOCRATIC LAWMAKING
   - INDEPENDENCE OF THE JUDICIARY
   - RIGHT TO A FAIR TRIAL


   Right of reply: Germany, Kazakhstan, Italy, Romania, Ukraine, United States of America, Tajikistan, Armenia

4. **Next meeting:**
   - Wednesday, 2 October 2013, at 3 p.m., in the plenary hall
Working session 15 (open)

1. Date: Wednesday, 2 October 2013
   
   Opened: 3.05 p.m.  
   Closed: 6.05 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ms. H. S. Greve (International Commission against the Death Penalty) (Norway) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:

   RULE OF LAW II, INCLUDING

   – EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THE QUESTION OF ABOLITION OF CAPITAL PUNISHMENT
   – PREVENTION OF TORTURE
   – PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FIGHTING TERRORISM


   Right of reply: Belarus, Romania, Poland, Armenia, Georgia, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, United Kingdom, United States of America, Azerbaijan

4. Next meeting:

   Thursday, 3 October 2013, at 10 a.m., in the plenary hall
Working session 16 (open)

1. **Date:** Thursday, 3 October 2013

   Opened: 10.05 a.m.
   Closed: 12.50 p.m.

2. **Chairperson:** Mr. A. Mirga (ODIHR) (Moderator)

3. **Subjects discussed – Statements:**

   **HUMANITARIAN ISSUES AND OTHER COMMITMENTS II, INCLUDING**
   
   – ROMA AND SINTI ISSUES, INCLUDING: IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OSCE ACTION PLAN ON IMPROVING THE SITUATION OF ROMA AND SINTI
   – MIGRANT WORKERS, THE INTEGRATION OF LEGAL MIGRANTS
   – REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS
   – TREATMENT OF CITIZENS OF OTHER PARTICIPATING STATES


   Right of reply: France, Czech Republic, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Romania, Netherlands, Sweden, Georgia, Russian Federation, Armenia

4. **Next meeting:**

   Thursday, 3 October 2013, at 3 p.m., in the plenary hall
Working session 17 (open)

1. **Date:** Thursday, 3 October 2013

   Opened: 3.10 p.m.
   Closed: 5.10 p.m.

2. **Chairperson:** Ms. B. Balbin (First Deputy Director of the ODIHR) (Moderator)

3. **Subjects discussed – Statements:**

   DISCUSSION OF HUMAN DIMENSION ACTIVITIES (WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON PROJECT WORK), INCLUDING

   – PRESENTATION OF ACTIVITIES OF THE ODIHR AND OTHER OSCE INSTITUTIONS AND FIELD OPERATIONS TO IMPLEMENT PRIORITIES AND TASKS CONTAINED IN RELEVANT OSCE DECISIONS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

   Moderator, Ms. L. Vai (Conflict Prevention Centre) (keynote speaker), Mr. L. Lietar (ODIHR) (keynote speaker), Mr. B. Moreau (ODIHR), Ms. J. Kiers (ODIHR), Ms. A. Karlsreiter (Office of the Representative on Freedom of the Media), Mr. R. Bebeau (OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine), Ms. M. Lausevic (OSCE Mission to Montenegro), Mr. J. Faafeng (OSCE Presence in Albania), Ms. S. Popovic (OSCE Mission in Kosovo), Ms. L. Tilney (OSCE Mission to Skopje), Germany (on behalf of the European Union), Georgia, United States of America, Russian Federation

4. **Next meeting:**

   Friday, 4 October 2013, at 10 a.m., in the plenary hall
Closing reinforced plenary session

1. **Date:** Friday, 4 October 2013  
   - **Opened:** 10.05 a.m.  
   - **Closed:** 11.25 a.m.

2. **Chairperson:** Mr. J. Lenarčič (Director of the ODIHR)

3. **Subjects discussed – Statements:**
   - *Presentation of the outcome of the first and the second week’s working sessions*
   - *Reports on the working sessions on human dimension activities as well as on the specifically selected topics*
   - *Review of the results and recommendations from the first and second week*
     - ODIHR, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Turkey, Norway, Switzerland, Russian Federation, United States of America, Lithuania-European Union, Canada, Armenia, Azerbaijan
     - Right of reply: Belarus

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

United States of America

**CLOSING**

Ambassador I. Prokopchuk (Chairperson of the Permanent Council)

The Chairperson formally closed the Human Dimension Implementation Meeting.