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## DECISION No. 1441 AGENDA, TIMETABLE AND ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES OF THE 2022 OSCE MEDITERRANEAN CONFERENCE

(Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, 24 and 25 October 2022)

The Permanent Council,

Recalling its Decision No. 1440 of 21 July 2022 on the date and venue of the 2022 OSCE Mediterranean Conference, to be held in the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, on 24 and 25 October 2022.

Welcoming again the offer by the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to host the annual OSCE Mediterranean Conference,

Decides to hold the 2022 OSCE Mediterranean Conference on the subject "Advancing security and co-operation in the Mediterranean: fostering dialogue with the OSCE Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation";

Adopts the agenda, timetable and organizational modalities of the Conference, as contained in the annex.

# AGENDA AND ORGANIZATIONAL MODALITIES OF THE 2022 OSCE MEDITERRANEAN CONFERENCE

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## I. Indicative agenda

#### Introduction

The 1975 Helsinki Final Act recognized that "security in Europe is to be considered in the broader context of world security and is closely linked with security in the Mediterranean area as a whole, and that accordingly the process of improving security should not be confined to Europe but should extend to other parts of the world, and in particular to the Mediterranean area".

The 2018 Milan Ministerial Council Declaration on Security and Co-operation in the Mediterranean (MC.DOC/4/18) reiterated these notions, noting that "this link between security in the OSCE area and security in the Mediterranean region has become all the more relevant, as has our co-operation with our Mediterranean Partners, given the growing range of challenges and opportunities stemming from the Mediterranean region and beyond".

Among other factors and events, the COVID-19 pandemic, the growing challenges posed by climate change, the intensification of transnational threats to security, and ongoing armed conflicts, make the OSCE and Mediterranean regions even more interconnected in security, economic-environmental, as well as human terms.

Against this backdrop, North Macedonia as the Chairmanship of the 2022 OSCE Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation Group fostered dialogue with the OSCE Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation on a range of important topics with a view to tackling ongoing challenges as well as seizing available opportunities for co-operation. Topics included: "Strengthening co-operation to address the challenges caused by climate" and "Empowering women and youth in times of crisis" and others to be discussed in the second half of the year.

As a continuation of the same approach, the 2022 OSCE Mediterranean Conference will address the topic of "Advancing security and co-operation in the Mediterranean: fostering dialogue with the OSCE Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation". The event shall start with a high-level political segment devoted to the role of youth. Thematic sessions shall then tackle specific aspects, including: the challenges caused by climate change, the trafficking of human beings and women's economic empowerment. A closing remarks session will conclude the event.

In so doing, the Conference shall provide a platform for "advancing a common approach in tackling challenges ... and seizing emerging opportunities, in a spirit of genuine

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partnership, co-operation, and ownership", as called for by the Milan Ministerial Council Declaration on Security and Co-operation in the Mediterranean (MC.DOC/4/18).

### Monday, 24 October 2022

- Registration of participants
- Opening remarks
- High-level political segment: Advancing security and co-operation in the Mediterranean: the role of youth
- Lunch
- Session I: Stepping up co-operation in the field of climate change to advance common security
- Reception

### Tuesday, 25 October 2022

- Session II: Leveraging the OSCE Mediterranean Partnership to combat the trafficking in human beings.
- Session III: Women's economic empowerment
- Closing remarks
- Lunch

## II. Participation

The Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation (Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Morocco and Tunisia) will participate in and contribute to the Conference.

The Asian Partners for Co-operation (Afghanistan, Australia, Japan, the Republic of Korea and Thailand) will be invited to participate in and contribute to the Conference.

The OSCE institutions and the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly will be invited to participate in and contribute to the Conference. The following international organizations and institutions will be invited to participate in and contribute to the Conference: Adriatic Ionian Initiative, African Development Bank, African Union, Central European Initiative, Collective Security Treaty Organization, Conference on Interaction and Confidence-Building Measures in Asia, Council of Europe, Economic Co-operation Organization, Eurasian Economic Union, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, European Investment Bank, European Union, Executive Committee of the Commonwealth of Independent States, 5+5 Dialogue on

Migration in the Western Mediterranean, Financial Action Task Force, International Centre for Migration Policy Development, International Committee of the Red Cross, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance, International Labour Organisation, International Monetary Fund, International Organization for Migration, Islamic Development Bank, Inter-Parliamentary Union, League of Arab States, Mediterranean Forum, Middle East and North Africa Region Financial Action Task Force, North Atlantic Treaty Organization, OPEC Fund, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, Organisation for Democracy and Economic Development – GUAM, Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie, Organization of the Black Sea Economic Co-operation, Organization of Islamic Cooperation, Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean, Regional Co-operation Council, Shanghai Cooperation Organisation, Southeast European Co-operative Initiative, South Eastern Europe Co-operation Process, Union for the Mediterranean, UN Habitat, United Nations, UN Al-Qaida Sanctions Monitoring Team, United Cities and Local Governments, UNICEF, UN Counter-Terrorism Committee, United Nations Alliance of Civilizations, United Nations Development Programme, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, United Nations Environment Programme, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, UN Women, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, and the World Bank.

Additional organizations may be invited by the host country to observe the Conference.

Representatives of non-governmental organizations may be invited by the host country to attend and may be invited to contribute to the Conference in accordance with the relevant OSCE provisions and practices (advance registration required).

Other countries may be invited by the host country to attend and may be invited to contribute to the Conference.

## III. Organizational modalities

The Conference will begin at 10 a.m. on the first day and end at 1 p.m. on the second day.

Each session will have a moderator and a rapporteur appointed by the Chairmanship. The consolidated summary will be forwarded to the Permanent Council for further consideration.

Appropriate arrangements for press coverage will be made.

The 2022 OSCE Mediterranean Conference will be held in English and French. This arrangement will not constitute a precedent that can be relied upon in other circumstances.

The Rules of Procedure of the OSCE will be followed, *mutatis mutandis*, at the Conference. Also, the guidelines for organizing OSCE meetings (Permanent Council Decision No. 762) will be considered.