



## 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

*Opening remarks:*

**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)

*Keynote speech:*

**Ms. Radmila Šekerinska**, Former Deputy Prime Minister for European  
Integration of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

*Technical information* by **Dr. Beata Martin-Rozumilowicz**, Head of  
Elections Department of the OSCE/ODIHR

16:00 – 18:00

**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)**

*Moderator:*

**Mr. Craig Jenness**, Director, Electoral Assistance Division, United Nations

*Introducers:*

**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

**SESSION II: Election observation and the electoral cycle: before, during and after election day (with focus on legal framework, media, campaign finance, gender)**

***Moderator:***

**Ms. Irena Hadžiabdić**, Former President and Current Member of the Central Election Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina

***Introducers:***

**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

**SESSION III: Follow-up to OSCE/ODIHR mission report recommendations and engagement with participating States**

***Moderator:***

**Ms. Malgorzata Wasilewska**, Head of Division, Democracy & Elections, European External Action Service

***Introducers:***

**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

***Closing remarks***

**Ambassador Janez Lenarčič**, Director of the OSCE/ODIHR

17:30

Closing of the meeting