

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON COMBATING CORRUPTION, DEFENDING DEMOCRACY: THE ROLE OF NATIONAL PARLIAMENTS



27-28 May 2022 Filoxenia Conference Centre, Nicosia

### **PROGRAMME**

### <u> Thursday, 26 May 2022</u>

Arrival of participants.

- **15.00 19.00** Registrations at the hotels' lobby area.
- **19.15** Departure by bus from Cleopatra hotel to Hilton hotel.
- **19.30**Cocktail reception at<br/>"Sorrento" deck, Hilton hotel.
- 21.00 Departure by bus for Cleopatra hotel.

### Friday, 27 May 2022

| 09.15 | Departure by bus from Hilton hotel  |
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|       | to the Filoxenia Conference Centre. |

- 09.25 Departure by bus from Cleopatra hotel to the Filoxenia Conference Centre.
- 10.00 10.30 Opening Session

Welcoming by Ms Irene Charalambides, OSCE PA Vice-President and Special Representative on Fighting Corruption.

Opening addresses by:

- H.E. Ms Annita Demetriou, The President of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Cyprus.
- H.E. Ms Margareta Cederfelt, The President of the OSCE PA.
- H.E. Mr. Ioannis Kasoulides, The Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cyprus.
- H.E. Ambassador Artur Dmochowski, Special Envoy of the OSCE Chairman-in-Office.
- Mr. Roberto Montella,

Secretary-General of the OSCE PA.

Group photo.

# 11.00 - 12.30 Session I: The role of National Parliaments in preventing and fighting corruption

<u>Moderator:</u> **Ambassador Igli Hasani**, Coordinator of the OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities.

## Keynote speakers:

- Ms Anita Ramasastry, OSCE CiO Special Representative on Combating Corruption.
- Ms Hanne Juncher, GRECO Executive Secretary.
- Ms Brigitte Strobel-Shaw, UNODC, Chief of the Corruption and Economic Crime Branch.
- Ms Irene Charalambides, OSCE PA Vice-President and Special Representative on Fighting Corruption.

Debate.

- **12.30 14.30** Lunch at "Pentadaktylos" restaurant, Filoxenia Conference Centre.
- 14.30 16.00 Session II: Key Policies to prevent corruption and foster transparency and accountability

<u>Moderator:</u> Ms Anita Ramasastry, OSCE CiO Special Representative on Combating Corruption.

## Keynote speakers:

- Mr. Roby Senderowitsch, Practice Manager, Governance ECA West, World Bank.
- Mr. Jon Vrushi, Transparency International, Research Analyst.
- **Mr. Konstantine Vardzelashvili,** ODIHR, Head of Democratization Department. Debate.

**16.00** Departure by bus for the hotels. *(approx.)* 

| 18.30        | Departure by bus from the hotels.  |
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| 19.00        | Guided visit to the ceasefire line in the old town of Nicosia.   |
| 20.00        | Official dinner hosted by H.E. The President of the House of<br>Representatives of the Republic of Cyprus, Ms Annita Demetriou<br>and the OSCE PA Vice-President and Special Representative on<br>Fighting Corruption, Ms Irene Charalambides,<br>at "The Mansion in Axiothea street". |
| <b>22.00</b> | Return by bus to the hotels.   |

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### Saturday, 28 May 2022

| 08.15 | Departure by bus from Hilton hotel  |
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|       | to the Filoxenia Conference Centre. |

# 08.25 Departure by bus from Cleopatra hotel to the Filoxenia Conference Centre.

# 09.00 - 10.30 Session III: The contribution of independent institutions and the Media in preventing and fighting corruption

## Moderator: Ms Irene Charalambides,

OSCE PA Vice-President and Special Representative on Fighting Corruption.

### Keynote speakers:

- **Mr. Costas Clerides**, Former Attorney-General of the Republic of Cyprus.
- Mr. Drew Sullivan, OCCRP co-founder, Editor of the Organized Crime and Corruption Reporting Project.

### • Mr. Franz Wild,

Editor of the Bureau of Investigative Journalism's Enablers Project.

### • Mr. Odysseas Michaelides,

Auditor-General of the Republic of Cyprus.

Debate.

### Moderator: Ms Irene Charalambides,

OSCE PA Vice-President and Special Representative on Fighting Corruption.

Closing remarks by:

| • | Ambassador Igli Hasani,                                       |  |
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|   | Coordinator of the OSCE Office for Economic and Environmental |  |
|   | Activities.   |  |
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- Ms Anita Ramasastry, OSCE CiO Special Representative on Combating Corruption.
- Ms Irene Charalambides, OSCE PA Vice-President and Special Representative on Fighting Corruption.
- **11.10** Departure by bus for Lefkara village.
- **12.00** Arrival and guided tour.
- **13.00** Lunch and cultural programme at "Ktima Dafermou" winery.
- **15.30** Departure by bus for Larnaca.
- **16.15** Arrival and optional guided tour/ Free time.
- **18.30** Departure by bus for the hotels.

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### Sunday, 29 May 2022

Departure of participants.