

**DRAFT PROGRAMME OF THE 16<sup>th</sup> WINTER MEETING  
OF THE OSCE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY**  
*Vienna, 23 –24 February 2017*

**Thursday, 23 February 2017**

- 09.00 – 11.45 **Standing Committee Meeting** (*Ratsaal, 5th floor*)
- 12.00 – 13.15 **Joint Session of the three General Committees:** (*Neuer Saal, 2nd floor*)  
Address by the President of the National Council of Austria, Ms. Doris Bures (tbc)  
Address by the President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Ms. Christine Muttonen  
Address by the Chairperson-in-Office of the OSCE and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Austria, Mr. Sebastian Kurz, followed by a question & answer session
- 13.15 – 15.15 Lunch Break
- 15.15 – 18.00 **General Committee on Democracy, Human Rights and Humanitarian Questions**  
(*Neuer Saal, 2nd floor*)
- 15.15 – 18.00 **General Committee on Economic Affairs, Science, Technology and Environment** (*Ratsaal, 5<sup>th</sup> floor*)
- 18.30 Reception offered by the Austrian Parliament

**Friday, 24 February 2017**

- 09.00 – 11.45 **General Committee on Political Affairs and Security** (*Neuer Saal, 2nd floor*)
- 11.45 – 13.30 Lunch Break
- 13.30 – 16.30 **Joint Session of the three General Committees:** (*Neuer Saal, 2nd floor*)  
Report by the Secretary General of the OSCE, Ambassador Lamberto Zannier, followed by a question & answer session  
Report of the OSCE PA Special Representative on Gender Issues, followed by a debate  
**Special Debate:** "*Protecting Human Rights in Times of Crisis*"  
Closure by the President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Ms. Christine Muttonen