



WARSAW
HUMAN DIMENSION CONFERENCE
2026

AGENDA

5 – 15 OCTOBER 2026 | SOFITEL VICTORIA, WARSAW



Monday, 5 October

10.30–13.00 **Opening Session**

14.30–17.00 **Plenary Session 1: Humanitarian Issues I, including:**

- International Human Rights Law and International Humanitarian Law
- Humanitarian challenges, incl. in the context of armed conflict

19.00 **Opening reception hosted by the 2026 Swiss Chairpersonship**

Tuesday, 6 October

10.30–13.00 **Plenary Session 2: Rule of Law I, including:**

- Prevention and eradication of torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment
- Exchange of views on the question of the abolition of capital punishment
- Protection of human rights when combating terrorism

Wednesday, 7 October

10.30–13.00 **Plenary Session 3: Fundamental Freedoms I, including:**

- Freedom of peaceful assembly and association
- Human rights defenders
- National human rights institutions
- Freedom of thought, conscience, religion or belief

14.00–15.30 **Roundtable with the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights**

Thursday, 8 October

10.30–13.00 **Plenary Session 4: Tolerance and Non-discrimination I, including:**

- Addressing racism, xenophobia and discrimination, anti-Semitism and intolerance and discrimination against Christians, Muslims and members of other religions

14.00–15.30 **Roundtable with OSCE Field Missions**

Friday, 9 October

10.30–13.00 **Plenary Session 5: Rule of Law II, including:**

- Independence of the judiciary
- Right to a fair trial
- Democratic law-making



Monday, 12 October

10.30–13.00 Plenary Session 6: Democratic Institutions, including:

- Democracy at the national, regional and local levels
- Democratic elections

14.00–16.30 Plenary Session 7: Humanitarian Issues II, including:

- Combatting trafficking in human beings
- Refugees and displaced persons

Tuesday, 13 October

10.30–13.00 Plenary Session 8: Fundamental Freedoms II, including:

- Freedom of expression, freedom of the media
- Safety of journalists

14.00–15.30 Roundtable with the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media

Wednesday, 14 October

10.30–13.00 Plenary Session 9: Tolerance and Non-discrimination II, including:

- Rights of persons belonging to national minorities
- Roma and Sinti issues

14.00–15.30 Roundtable with the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities

Thursday, 15 October

13.00–15.30 Plenary Session 10: Gender Equality, including:

- Equal opportunities for women and men
- Preventing and combating violence against women and girls
- Implementation of the OSCE Action Plan for the Promotion of Gender Equality

15.30–15.45 Closing Session