





Helsinki +40 Supplementary Seminar: The OSCE's Lack of Legal Status – Challenges in Crisis Situations

(Copenhagen, Monday, 27 April 2015)

PROGRAMME

(as of 20 March 2015)

OSCE PA Bureau Meeting (closed event)

16:00 Arrival of Helsinki +40 Seminar participants

Venue: Danish Parliament / Folketinget Landstingssalen, Christiansborg

1240 Copenhagen

16:15 – 16:30 OPENING OF THE SEMINAR

Remarks by:

- Peter Juel Jensen, Head of the Delegation of Denmark to the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly
- Ilkka Kanerva, President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly
- Vuk Žugić, Representative of the Serbian Chairmanship, Head of the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Serbia to the OSCE (tbc)
- Joao Soares, Chairman of the OSCE PA Helsinki +40 Colloquium Project

16:30 – 17:45 PANEL I – THE QUESTION OF LEGAL STATUS FOR THE OSCE AND IMPLICATIONS FOR UKRAINE

Keynote Speakers:

- John Bernhard, Special Advisor of the Chairperson-in-Office on the Legal Framework
- Lisa Tabassi, Head of Legal Services, OSCE Secretariat, Vienna

<u>Chair</u>: **Karsten Jakob Møller**, Emeritus Researcher, Danish Institute for International Studies (DIIS)

17:45 – 18:00 Break

18:00 – 19:15 PANEL II – STRENGTHENING THE LEGAL FRAMEWORK OF THE OSCE: WAYS FORWARD

Keynote speakers:

- **John Bernhard**, Special Advisor of the Chairperson-in-Office on the Legal Framework
- Comments by: Joao Soares, Chairman of the OSCE PA Helsinki +40 Colloquium Project, and Andreas Nothelle, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Special Representative in Vienna

<u>Chair</u>: **Spencer Oliver**, Special Co-ordinator of the Helsinki +40 Colloquium Project; Secretary General, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly

19:15 – 20:00 Refreshments for seminar participants

20:00 Departure of participants