

Parliamentary Hearing

The Constitutional Law on Political Parties: Issues and Amendments

Grand Hall of the National Assembly

October 18, 2019

Agenda

10:00-10:15	Welcoming Remarks Ararat Mirzoyan , President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Armenia
10:15-10:30	Amendment Process for the Law on Political Parties Hamazasp Danielyan , Electoral Reform Parliamentary Working Group Head
<i>General Overview of the Issues Facing the Law on Political Parties</i>	
10:30-11:00	OSCE ODIHR Opinion on the existing Law on Political Parties Julia Gephard , OSCE ODIHR
11:00-11:30	Reforming the Law on Political Parties: Draft Concept Dr. Armen Mazmanyanyan , Moderating Expert, Electoral Reform Parliamentary Working Group
<i>Political Parties as More Democratic and Inclusive Organizations</i>	
11:30-11:40	Lena Nazaryan , Vice President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Armenia
11:40-11:50	Vardine Grigoryan , Helsinki Citizens' Assembly - Vanadzor
<i>Requirements for the Registration and Ongoing Operation of Political Parties</i>	
12:00-12:10	Sergey Bagratyan , Member of Parliament, Prosperous Armenia Party
12:10-12:20	Karen Simonyan , Member of Parliament, Bright Armenia Party
12:20-13:00	Speeches and recommendations on the above-mentioned themes (By Prior Registration)
13:00-13:40	B R E A K
<i>Political Party Finance</i>	
13:40-13:50	Political Party Finance: International Best Practices Dr. Fernando Casal Bertoa , OSCE ODIHR, University of Nottingham
13:50-14:00	Priorities of the Bright Armenia Party Gevorg Gorgisyan , Member of Parliament, Bright Armenia Faction Secretary
<i>Oversight of Political Party Finances</i>	
14:00-14:20	Oversight of Political Party and Campaign Finance: International Best Practices Dr. Lolita Cigane , OSCE ODIHR
14.20-14.30	Strengthening the Transparency and Oversight of Political Party Finance in Armenia Heriknaz Tigranyan , Member of Parliament, My Step Alliance
14:30-14:40	Campaign Finance in Armenia Jérôme Leyraud , IFES Armenia
14:40-14:50	Gaps in Campaign Finance Regulation Aleksey Petrosyan , Transparency International Anticorruption Center
15:10-16:00	Speeches and recommendations on the above-mentioned themes (By Prior Registration)
16.00-16.30	B R E A K
16:30-17:30	Speeches and recommendations on the concept and legislative changes (By Prior Registration)
17:30-17:40	Concluding Remarks and Next Steps Hamazasp Danielyan , Electoral Reform Parliamentary Working Group Head