

Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting

Protecting Civic Space:

the Role of Human Rights Defenders and Freedom of Peaceful Assembly

Vienna, 5-6 May 2025

AGENDA

Day 1

9.30 - 10.30**OPENING SESSION** Opening remarks

Kevnote address Technical information

10.30 - 12.30**SESSION I:** Respect: The right to freedom of peaceful assembly

and its role in protecting civic space and democracy

[13.00 - 14.00 - side events]

14.30 - 16.30**SESSION II: Respond: Overcoming challenges facing human**

rights defenders at home, in exile and across borders

[16.45 - 17.45 - side events]

Day 2

[9.00 - 10.00 - side events]

10.30 - 12.30**SESSION III:** Prepare: Strengthening support and protection

for human rights defenders

CLOSING SESSION 12.30 - 13.30

> Reports from the working sessions Statements by participating States

Closing remarks

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