



Activity Overview

„Annual Meeting of the Representatives of Defence and Security Committees from SEE Parliaments”

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Venue The Assembly of Albania, 4 Boulevard “Dëshmorët e Kombit”, Tirana, Republic of Albania

Background Understanding the oversight instruments and the purpose of parliamentary oversight are the crucial prerequisites for parliamentary members and staffers in exercising their legislative and oversight powers in the defence and security sector. The idea of this Conference is to continue supporting cooperation among the Defence and Security Committees from SEE Parliaments by providing the platform for interaction of parliamentarians, security and defence policy experts and state officials. The Conference will be organised by RACVIAC - Centre for Security Cooperation in partnership with the National Security Committee of the Assembly of Albania and DCAF - Geneva Centre for Security Sector Governance.

Purpose and Objectives The main purpose of this Conference is to give an overview of the mechanisms and practices of the parliamentary defence and security committees, enabling the participants to discuss parliamentary procedures, challenges and oversight mechanisms in the field of defence and security. **A special focus will be placed on the cybersecurity challenges in South-Eastern Europe and beyond.**

Participation Parliamentarians, members of defence and security committees, expert staff of the defence and security committees, members of the committees dealing with telecommunications and European integration, and/or representatives of relevant state institutions, who deal with cybersecurity issues.

Methodology The Conference is designed as a series of speeches and presentations given by committee members and experts, high level speakers from international and national organisations and ministries, followed by discussions and expert consultations. The working language will be English.

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