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## 18th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Sport

Porto, Portugal  
8-10 October 2024

**DRAFT PROGRAMME**

prepared by

## ***Tuesday 8 October 2024***

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*Venue:* Alfândega, Congress Centre, R. Nova da Alfândega, Porto, Portugal

- 9.00am - 12.30pm**                      **10th Anniversary of the Macolin Convention**
- 10.30am - 10.40am*                      *Coffee break*
- 12.45am - 1.00pm*                      *Presentation of the Exhibition - Women in Sports: Pioneering, Challenges, Inspiration, Equality*
- 1.00pm - 2.00pm*                      *Lunch/Buffer offered by the Portuguese authorities*
- 2.00pm - 4.00pm**                      **Meeting of Senior Officials**  
Agenda to follow (MSL18(2024)7)
- Participants:** Representatives of the 46 Council of Europe member States, EPAS non-Council of Europe member State (Israel, Morocco), Holy See and Kazakhstan, who are Advisers to their Ministers or Heads of Delegation (one representative per delegation)
- 2.00pm - 3.00pm**                      **Meeting of the EPAS Consultative Committee**
- 3.00pm - 3.15pm*                      *Coffee break*
- 5.30pm - 6.30pm**                      **Restricted ministerial gathering of EPAS member States**  
Update on EPAS' working priorities
- Participants:** Ministers/Heads of delegations from EPAS member States only
- 7.30pm - 10.00pm**                      *Dinner - Porto Leixões Cruise Terminal, Matosinhos*

## ***Wednesday 9 October 2024***

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*Venue:* Alfândega

- 8.00am - 9.00am**                      **Ad hoc Committee of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (to be confirmed)**
- Participants:** PACE Delegations and Secretariat
- 9.00am - 9.30am**                      **OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE**  
Welcoming addresses by:  
Representative of the Portuguese government, the Council of Europe Deputy Secretary General and the President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (to be confirmed)
- 9.30am - 10.00am**                      **SPOTLIGHT ON THE EUROPEAN SPORTS CHARTER**  
European Sports Charter video  
Video address (President of the Olympic Committee, to be confirmed)  
Short panel with high-level guests presenting their vision of the role of the European Sports Charter
- 10.00am - 10.20am*                      *Coffee break*
- 10.00am - 10.20am*                      *Press point*

<b>10.20am - 10.30am</b>	<b>ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA ELECTION OF THE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR</b>
<b>10.30am - 12.30pm</b>	<b>SESSION 1 – COLLABORATIVE GOVERNING: TIME TO ADAPT THE RULES OF THE GAME?</b>
10.30am - 10:45am	Introductions by: Minister, representative of the Athlete Committee of WADA, Academic expert
10.45am - 12.30pm	Discussion
12.30pm - 12.45pm	<i>Family photo of the Ministers and Heads of Delegations</i>
12.45pm - 2.00pm	<i>Lunch for the Ministers and Heads of Delegation hosted by the Council of Europe</i>  <i>Lunch/Bufferet for delegations offered by the Portuguese authorities</i>
<b>2.00pm - 4.00pm</b>	<b>SESSION 2 – GOOD GOVERNANCE: MOVING THE GOAL POST FORWARDS?</b>
2.00pm - 2:15pm	Introductions by: Minister, ASOIF representative, Academic expert
2.15pm - 4.00pm	Discussion
4.00pm - 4.15pm	<b>SIGNING CEREMONY OF SPORT CONVENTIONS</b> (all delegations present)
<i>4.15pm - 4.30pm</i>	<i>Press point</i>
<i>4.15pm - 4.30pm</i>	<i>Coffee break</i>
<b>4.30pm - 5.15pm</b>	<b>YOUTH INITIATIVE – ROUNDTABLE: “CHAMPIONS FOR YOUTH IN SPORTS”</b>
<b>5.15pm - 6.15pm</b>	<b>CLOSING SESSION</b>
5.15pm - 5.30pm	Adoption of the resolution
5.30pm - 6.15pm	Closing speeches by: Director General for Human Rights and the Rule of Law, President of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe, Chair of the EPAS Governing Board, Chair of the Consultative Committee, Portuguese Secretary of State for Sport
8.00pm - 10.30pm	<b>Gala Dinner hosted by the Portuguese authorities</b> (São Bento da Vitória Monastery)

***Thursday 10 October 2024 (morning only)***

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*Venue: Alfândega*

<b>9.00am - 9.30am</b>	<b>Welcome/Registration</b>
<b>9.30am - 11.00am</b>	<b>Focus session on gender equality</b>
<i>11.00am - 11.30am</i>	<i>Coffee break</i>
<b>11.30am - 1.00pm</b>	<b>Focus session on dual career</b>