

**Concept note by the facilitator for cooperation  
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Eleventh session of the Assembly of States Parties

1. The Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties has decided that there will be a separate segment to discuss cooperation at the upcoming eleventh session of the Assembly. To that effect, three hours in the morning of **Friday, 16 November, from 10:00 to 13:00 hours**, have been allocated to this item in the plenary of the Assembly.
2. Based on inputs from various stakeholders, and consultations with the President of the Assembly, the proposed focus of discussion will be the following two topics:
  - a. Arrests; and
  - b. Identification, tracing, freezing and seizure of assets.
3. Under this agenda item, the Prosecutor of the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, Mr. Serge Brammertz, has been invited to deliver a key note address to the Assembly on cooperation between International Criminal Courts and Tribunals and States. Following the key note address, three panellists, including one from a State Party, one from the Court and one from civil society, will share insights on the focus topics from their respective perspectives. 30 minutes will be allocated to the key note speaker, while each panellist will have approximately 15 minutes for their first intervention.
4. Following the key note address and the interventions from the Panel, there will be an **interactive plenary discussion on cooperation**. States Parties are strongly encouraged to participate actively in this segment to provide for a nuanced and broad exchange on this matter. This could include responses to the address given by Mr. Brammertz, and to interventions from the panellists, who will also take part in the discussions. Statements discussing the way forward with regard to cooperation with the Court are encouraged.
5. Time permitting, observer States, international and regional organizations, civil society and other stakeholders will be invited to contribute to this exchange.
6. An informal summary of the discussion will be made, and should States wish to make cooperation-related pledges or undertake commitments, including voluntary agreements, this will be reflected in the summary. Pledges and undertakings may also be made in writing.
7. A speakers' list will be opened prior to the Assembly session and **States and other stakeholders wishing to intervene in the discussion should inscribe themselves** on this list.<sup>1</sup> Speakers are requested to limit their interventions to four minutes.
8. In addition, a draft resolution on cooperation is annexed to the report of the Bureau on cooperation (ICC-ASP/11/28, Annex I), The draft resolution contains a placeholder to reflect the outcome of the plenary debate, which will be completed after the plenary on cooperation, prior to its adoption.

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