## Human rights in danger - The dismantling of the rule of law in Poland

PACE Side Event on Wednesday, 10 October, 1-2 pm, Room 14 (ground floor)



Poland is currently witnessing an increasing weakening of the checks and balances of the executive branch as well as a crack-down on the rule of law. Campaigns against civil liberties defenders are on the rise and space for civil society is continuously shrinking. Furthermore, the judiciary is seriously threatened in its independence.

How does civil society in Poland assess the situation and how should PACE react? We cordially invite you to discuss this with us and look forward to your participation.

## Speaker:

- Lyudmyla Kozlovska, President of the Open Dialogue Foundation.
- Julie Walecka, Member of "Civil Guard", "Open Civil Club" and "ODnowa".
- Jaroslaw Kaczynski, Polish lawyer, defender of numerous civil society activists.

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