

Key dates of the OSCE

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Key dates of the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe

3–7 July 1973

First stage of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE), Helsinki

18 September 1973–21 July 1975

Second stage of the CSCE, Geneva

30 July 1975–1 August 1975

Third stage of the CSCE, Helsinki

1 August 1975

Signing of the Final Act of the CSCE, Helsinki

4 October 1977–9 March 1978

First CSCE Follow-Up Meeting, Belgrade

11 November 1980–9 September 1983

Second CSCE Follow-Up Meeting, Madrid

4 November 1986–19 January 1989

Third CSCE Follow-Up Meeting, Vienna

19–21 November 1990

Paris CSCE Summit, adoption of the Charter of Paris for a New Europe, adoption, on the fringes of the Summit, of the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe (CFE)

19–20 June 1991

First meeting of the Council, Berlin, admission of Albania as a participating State (first enlargement of the CSCE)

10 September 1991

Admission of the three Baltic States as participating States

30–31 January 1992

Admission of the former Soviet Republics as participating States

24 March 1992–8 July 1992

Fourth CSCE Follow-Up Meeting, Helsinki

3–5 July 1992

First annual session of the Parliamentary Assembly, Budapest

9–10 July 1992

CSCE Helsinki Summit, adoption of the document 'The Challenges of Change'

12 July 1992

Decision on the suspension of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro)

8 September 1992

Deployment of the first three Missions of Long Duration (Kosovo, Sandjak, Vojvodina)

15 December 1992

Signing of the Convention on Conciliation and Arbitration within the CSCE, Stockholm

4–6 December 1994

CSCE Budapest Summit, adoption of the document ‘Towards a Genuine Partnership in a New Era’

1 January 1995

The CSCE becomes the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE)

2–3 December 1996

OSCE Lisbon Summit, adoption of the Lisbon Declaration on a Common and Comprehensive Security Model for Europe for the Twenty-First Century

18–19 November 1999

OSCE Istanbul Summit, adoption of the Charter for European Security, signing of the Agreement on Adaptation of the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe