



MEDIA GUIDE

8TH EUROPEAN POLITICAL COMMUNITY SUMMIT

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1. EPC SUMMIT VENUE

On 4th May, 2026, the Republic of Armenia will host the 8th Summit of the European Political Community under the motto "Building the Future: Unity and Stability in Europe."

The Summit will take place at Karen Demirchyan Sports and Concerts Complex. It is Armenia's largest multipurpose sports and cultural venue.

The Press center is located at the premises of the Complex and is open on 4th May.

Armenian Public Television, supported by the European Broadcasting Union is the official host-broadcaster of the Summit.



2. MEDIA ACCREDITATION

Media accreditation is open until 23th April, 2026, on the Summit website <https://epcyerevan2026.am/accreditation-media>.

Applications for accreditation will only be accepted during the accreditation period.

If you are a foreign national, please check the visa requirements for traveling to the Republic of Armenia before your trip.

Media access to the EPC Summit is possible only with accreditation on a per-event basis. When filling out the accreditation form, kindly specify your arrival and departure dates within this period.

If you require media accreditation for a period that extends beyond the Summit day, please refer to the accreditation procedure outlined on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia by clicking on the following link: <https://www.mfa.am/en/accreditation/>.

3. BADGE COLLECTION

Media badge is required to enter the premises of the Summit on 4th May.

The Ministry of the Foreign Affairs of Armenia is the main point for badge collection. All journalists can collect their badges during 1-3 May at the entrance of the Ministry.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is situated at the address: **Government House #2, Vazgen Sargsyan 3, Yerevan 0010, Republic of Armenia.**

Journalists, that arrive late in the Republic of Armenia on 3th May and do not manage to collect their badge during the opening hours of the Ministry, will have the opportunity to collect their badge on 4th May at 05:00-06:00.

1-3 May MFA of Armenia 10:00 – 16:00

4 May MFA of Armenia 05:00 – 06:00

Summit Venue: Badges will only be issued to accredited journalists with lost badges and journalists arriving with delegations.

4. LOST BADGES

- Journalists that lose their badge before the Summit or have identified mistakes in their badges should report it immediately to media.epcyerevan2026@gov.am with the message title “Lost badge for EPC Summit – (First Name, Last Name).”
- In case the badge loss was reported in advance, journalists can collect the new badge at the MFA of Armenia between 05:00 - 06:00 am on 4th May.
- In case badge loss was reported the night before or on the day of the Summit, the accredited journalist will be allowed to board the shuttle buses and collect the new badge at the Summit Venue.

5. MEDIA ARRIVING WITH THE OFFICIAL DELEGATION

Before the Summit

Journalists, reaching at the Zvartnots International Airport onboard with the official delegation **before 4th May**, will have to arrange their own transportation themselves or in coordination with their respective embassies to reach their hotels.

Journalists will collect their badge at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Armenia. Please consult the “Badge collection” section for more details.

On 4th May, journalists will meet at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and take a pre-arranged shuttle buses to the venue. Please note that journalists will not be allowed to join the Summit venue by any other means than the shuttle buses (ie. by taxi or self-driven car) due to restricted circulation. Please consult “Reaching and leaving the Summit venue on 4th May” for more details.

On the day of the Summit (4th May)

Journalists, arriving on 4th May with the official delegation, should be informed of the following:

- Their respective delegation should inform their DLO about the arrival of the journalists to secure a transportation with the help of the Armenian side. This transportation will be part of the official motorcade.
- Journalists traveling with the official delegation on the day of the Summit should not seek alternative transportation options to the one stated above. Journalists will not be allowed to join the Summit venue by any other means to reach the venue before the delegations.
- Journalists traveling with the official delegation on the day of the Summit will collect their badges at the entrance of the Venue.

6. PRESS CENTRE

The Press Centre at the venue of the Summit will open on 4th May - the day of the event. The opening hours of the Press Centre on 4th May are 06:00 - 21:00. No options to reserve a working station at the Press Centre will be available.

Access to the Press Centre is permitted only with the badge. Badges must be collected in advance at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Armenia. Please consult the section on “Badge collection”.

Armenian Public Television, supported by the European Broadcasting Union is the official host-broadcaster of the Summit. The footage from the host-broadcaster will be available for free to all media on the EBU platform “NewsDirect.”

Media opportunities and details regarding media attendance for each event of the Summit will be provided in the **Media Advisory**. This advisory will be published on the official website of the Summit, where you can find comprehensive information about media coverage.

For the convenience of journalists, the Press Centre will offer amenities such as water, coffee, snacks, and lunch boxes. However, it’s important to note that there will be no restaurant services available at the Press center, the Summit venue or in its surrounding area. If you have specific dietary restrictions or preferences, it is advisable to bring your own food to ensure your needs are met during the Summit.

The standard voltage in Armenia is 220 V, and the frequency is 50 Hz. If you are traveling from a country with different plug types or voltage standards, it is advisable to bring the necessary adapters or voltage converters to ensure compatibility and safe usage of your electrical devices.

Free Wi-Fi, cable internet (LAN) and printing facilities will be provided at the Press Centre.

Prohibited objects at the Press Centre

The Summit Venue is under high security. Upon arrival at the Summit Venue, all accredited journalists will undergo security control. Possession of any sharp objects, glass, liquids, flammable, toxic substances or explosives, weapons or sprays will be prohibited.

Reaching and leaving the Summit Venue on 4th May

Organized transportation to the Summit venue will be provided to all accredited journalists on 4th May. **The shuttle buses will leave from the Shahumian Square near the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia to the Summit venue.**

The buses will leave for the Summit Venue at **06:00 am, 06:30 am and 07:00 am**. The ride is approximately 15 minutes.

To take the shuttle bus journalists are advised to prepare their EPC Summit media badge and their ID ahead of time.

Journalists are advised to reach the Ministry of Foreign Affairs by taxi or by transportation provided by their respective embassies. Please refer to the section "Getting around" below for more information about taxi service providers. Please consider booking your taxi in advance.

Departure from the Summit venue will also be organized by shuttle buses. Journalists will be informed of the shuttle bus departure times at the press center.

Please note that arrival at the Ministry after 07:00 am will be equal to missing the Summit. For security reasons, no alternative transportation options of reaching the Summit will be available nor possible. Please make the necessary travel arrangements to reach the Ministry on time.






7. COVERING TOPICS IN ARMENIA BEYOND THE SUMMIT

To carry journalistic activities on the territory of the Republic of Armenia beyond the Summit, accredited journalists should apply for short-term accreditation via official website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia <https://www.mfa.am/en/accreditation/>

8. SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS OF THE SUMMIT

All the information dedicated to the 8th EPC Summit can be found on the official website of the event: <https://epcyerevan2026.am/>.

Additional information can be found on the 8th EPC Summit official social media accounts:

-  EPCArmenia
-  EPCArmenia
-  EPCArmenia
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-  EPCArmenia

Official live announcements will be posted in the lead up to the Summit date.

9. CONTACTS

Journalists are highly encouraged to familiarize themselves with the Media Guide and Media Advisory provided for the Summit. These resources are designed to address frequently asked questions and provide important information related to media coverage, logistics, and access to various events.

For any media-related enquiries, you can contact media.epcyerevan2026@gov.am.

For accreditation and media logistics enquiries, you can contact

Mr. Shiraz Hovakimyan

at media.epcyerevan2026@gov.am

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10. OTHER PRACTICAL INFORMATION

KEY FACTS

The population of Armenia is around 3 million people (2022 estimate).

The official language: Armenian. However, many people speak English, Russian, French and other foreign languages.

The Climate: Armenia has a highland continental climate, characterized by four distinct seasons. The weather in Yerevan in May is mildly cool and humid but cool, with average highs of 68°F (20°C) and lows of 45°F (7°C).

Currency and money exchange

The currency of Armenia is **Armenian Dram (AMD)**. You can check the currency exchange rate at <https://www.cba.am/hy/exchange-rates-archive/>.

There are many ATMs around Yerevan and across the country. Card payments are widely accepted. Money can be exchanged in banks or in currency exchange points around the city.

Accommodation

Journalists are kindly requested to take care of their own accommodation arrangements. It is advisable to book accommodations in Yerevan.

All journalists will convene at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia on the morning of 4th May to travel to the Summit venue.

Please consult “Reaching and leaving the Summit venue on 4th May” for more details.

Getting around

Reaching Yerevan from the airport. There are several transportation options from Zvartnots International Airport to Yerevan City. First, public Bus 201 leaves from the airport to the City centre (Yerevan, Yeritasardakan - B). You can consult the bus schedule leaving from the airport [HERE](#).

When taking a taxi, it is important to ensure that you pay the fare indicated on the meter to avoid any discrepancies.

To find out more about available transport means during the stay in Yerevan consult <https://www.visiterevan.am/uinfo/details/12/en/>.

Roaming

Please note that mobile data roaming can be expensive in Armenia. Consider purchasing a SIM card on arrival.

Free Wi-Fi will be at the Press Centre at the Summit Venue on 4th May. Also, there are many free Wi-Fi spots in Yerevan.

Safety and Security

Armenia is a one of the safest countries and maintains a safe environment for residents and visitors.

In case of an incident or emergency, it is crucial to CONTACT THE RESCUE SERVICE immediately. In Armenia, there is a single general emergency number that you can call for all types of assistance. Dial 911 or 112 to reach the police, fire department or ambulance services. These numbers will connect you to the appropriate emergency service based on your situation.

Check the travel advice from your country of origin for specific advice for non-Armenian passport holders.

11. TEMPORARY GUIDANCE ON INTRODUCTION INTO AND REMOVAL OF PROFESSIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE 8TH EPC SUMMIT

Mass media representatives can introduce the following goods without payment of import duties:

- Automatic data processing devices and their parts – 1 unit;
- Mobile phones for the mobile network and other wireless networks – 2 units;
- Sound recording devices; sound reproducing devices; sound recording and reproduction devices – 1 unit;
- Video devices for recording or reproducing, even incorporating a videophone signal receiver – 1 unit;
- Still cameras and other video cameras – 1 unit;
- Receiving devices for radiotelephony, radiotelegraphy or radio broadcasting, whether or not combined in the same body with a sound recording or reproducing devices or with a clock – 1 unit;
- Optical, photographic, cinematographic instruments and devices – 1 unit from each group.

Upon arrival at the Zvartnots International Airport, media representatives bringing professional equipment into the territory of the Republic of Armenia within the indicated amounts should show the mail on confirmation of their accreditation if they are asked to do so.

12. ADDRESSES

Badge collection

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia,
Government House #2, Vazgen Sargsyan 3, Yerevan 0010, Republic of Armenia

Summit Venue

Karen Demirchyan Sports and Concerts Complex,
Tsitsernakaberd zbosaygi 1, Yerevan 0028, Republic of Armenia