



**EDUCATION AND CULTURE COMMITTEE
SPRING SESSION
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**DRAFT AGENDA
Tuesday, 9 April 2019
14:30 - 18:00, Room G03 – Agora**

1. Opening of the meeting and presentation of guests by the Chairwomen Claude Vivier Le Got
2. Adoption of the draft agenda
3. Designation of a rapporteur
4. Second debate on the European Cultural Identity with UNESCO (14:30 - 16:15)

The Education and Culture Committee (CEC) is carrying out **three consultations on the European cultural identity** (axis 4 of the action plan 2018 – 2021) with a view to the elaboration of a white paper by June 2020. The first was held on 27 June with European personalities; the second will be held on 9 April 2019 with experts from UNESCO and the Council of Europe; the third will take place between 28 and 31 October 2019 with local and regional elected representatives.

The document aims to give food for thought for everyone (individuals, educational staff, cities, states, institutions), and promote different attitudes that are unique, open and civil towards the diversity of the contemporary intellectual world.

The future work and the second consultation should allow us to answer the following three general questions:

- How to determine the idea of European cultural identity (ECI) and is it legitimate to speak about this notion?
- In the context of solvency of national and regional identities in the ECI, why claim that federating is not destroying?
- What policies and actions do institutions carry out to educate people about European citizenship?

After the first consultation in June 2018, which focused on the importance of culture, the CEC is continuing the process by organizing this second consultation with ambassadors and experts from UNESCO and the Council of Europe.

The aim of this consultation is to present the work of UNESCO and the Council of Europe on education and on the appropriation and mobilisation of culture as dynamic elements of European cultural identity.

Confirmed guests:

- **Mr. Sjur BERGAN**, Council of Europe, Head of the Education Department
- **Mr. Manuel MONTOBBIO de BALANZO**, ambassador and permanent Representative of Spain to the Council of Europe (CoE), Chairman of the Executive Committee of the CoE North-South Centre
- **Dr. Joanna NOWICKI**, University professor, specialist in cultural areas, circulation and the history of ideas
- **Mr. Marco PASQUALINI**, UNESCO, Global Education Division, expert
- **Mr. Francesc PEDRO**, UNESCO, Division of lifelong learning policies and systems - Head of the Education Policy Section

5. Debate on “the city of tomorrow” (16:30 – 18:00)

The CEC Intercultural Cities working group works on urban coexistence and the successful integration of all city citizens. This question involves examining the civilisational, societal, environmental and cultural aspects inherent from the integration of groups of different origins but also organisation of urban spaces, public policies and private education initiatives. In this perspective, this debate will focus on the theme of the "city of tomorrow" in order to bring out and promote best practices for building modern cities where everyone can find their place.

Confirmed speakers:

- **Mr Jean-Christophe FROMANTIN**, French politician, Mayor of Neuilly-sur-Seine since 2008 and specialist in the pooling of services in urban areas
- **Mr Carlos MORENO**, Professor at the University of Panthéon-Sorbonne and the Institute of Business administration (IAE) in Paris, and expert on smart and sustainable cities

6. Adoption of reports (addressed to the INGOs who gave their contact details during the June 2018 session) available on the Loomio digital platform

7. Adoption of the 2018 draft progress report of the Education and Culture Committee

8. Report of the meetings of the CDPPE and CDCPP

9. Information on the third and final panel discussions on European cultural identity to be held between 28 and 31 October 2019 during the autumn plenary session with locally and regionally elected representatives

10. Other matters