

Governance Committee

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DRAFT AGENDA

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Kloster Heidberg, Eupen, Belgium
4 May 2017, 9.30 – 12h30; 14h – 17h

Simultaneous Interpretation provided in English, French, German, Italian, Russian and Turkish

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

By Jean-Louis TESTUD, France (L, EPP/CCE), Chair.

2. AGENDA

[\[CG/GOV05\(2017\)OJ-PROV\]](#)
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Adoption of the draft agenda.

3. PREVIOUS MEETING

[\[CG/GOV04\(2017\)CB\]](#)

Adoption of the synopsis of the meeting held on 28 March 2017 in Strasbourg (32nd Session).

4. COMMUNICATION BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE CONGRESS

[\[CG32\(2017\)29\]](#) Congress activity report (December 2016 to mid-April 2017)
[\[SG\(2017\)1\]](#) on the State of democracy, human rights and the rule of law - Populism – How strong are Europe's checks and balances? Report by the Secretary General of the Council of Europe (2017)

REPORTS TO BE APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE

5. MAKING PUBLIC PROCUREMENT TRANSPARENT AT LOCAL AND REGIONAL LEVEL

[\[CG/GOV05\(2017\)08\]](#)

Rapporteur: Amelie TARSCHYS INGRE, Sweden (L, ILDG)

Presentation by the rapporteur

Exchange of views

Approval of the preliminary draft report, resolution and recommendation

6. A BETTER FUTURE FOR EUROPE'S RURAL AREAS

[\[CG/GOV05\(2017\)06\]](#)

Rapporteur: Philippe LEUBA, Switzerland (R, ILDG)

Presentation by the rapporteur

Exchange of views

Approval of the preliminary draft report, resolution and recommendation

7. PROTECTING WHISTLEBLOWERS

[\[CG/GOV05\(2017\)07\]](#)

Rapporteur: Josan MEIJERS, Netherlands (R, SOC)

Presentation by the rapporteur

Exchange of views

Approval of the preliminary draft report, resolution and recommendation

REPORTS UNDER PREPARATION

8. TRANSPARENCY AND OPEN GOVERNMENT

[\[CG/GOV05\(2017\)02\]](#)

Rapporteur: Andreas GALSTER, Germany, (L, EPP/CCE)

Presentation by the rapporteur

Exchange of views

9. CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS AT LOCAL AND REGIONAL LEVELS

[\[CG/GOV05\(2017\)05\]](#)

Rapporteur: David WILCOX, United Kingdom (R, SOC)

Presentation by the rapporteur

Exchange of views

10. COPING WITH THE DEBT BURDEN: LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN FINANCIAL DIFFICULTY

[\[CG/GOV05\(2017\)03\]](#)

[\[CG/GIE01\(2016\)02rev\]](#)

Rapporteur: Heather MCVEY, United Kingdom (L, SOC)

Presentation by the rapporteur

Presentation by Zoltan SZENTE, member of the Group of Independent Experts on the European Charter of Local Self-Government

Exchange of views

11. FINANCIAL COMPENSATION OF LOCAL AND REGIONAL ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES AND PUBLIC OFFICIALS IN THE EXERCISE OF THEIR OFFICE

[\[CG/GOV05\(2017\)04\]](#)

[\[CG/GOV03\(2016\)03\]](#)

Co-rapporteurs: Marta CAMPANARI-TALABER, Hungary (L, EPP/CCE) and Robert GRUMAN, Romania (R, EPP/CCE)

Presentation by the co-rapporteurs

Presentation by Kelmend ZAJAZI, Executive Director of NALAS (Network of Associations of Local Authorities of South East Europe)

Exchange of views

12. WORK PROGRAMME

[\[CG/GOV04\(2017\)01\]](#)

Exchange of views on the work program

13. EVENTS OF INTEREST TO THE COMMITTEE

- **“Successful territorial reforms”**
Conference on the causes and methods of subnational reform in Council of Europe member states
Kloster Heidberg, Eupen, Belgium, 5 May 2017
[\[Programme\]](#)
- **3rd Summit of mayors for the “Alliance of European cities against violent extremism”**
Organised with the European Forum for Urban Security and the Municipality of Barcelona
Barcelona, 14 November 2017

14. COOPERATION WITH OTHER BODIES

- 14.1 Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE)**
- 14.2 European Committee on Democracy and Governance (CDDG)**
- 14.3 European Committee of the Regions (CoR)**

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

16. NEXT MEETING

18 or 19 October 2017, Strasbourg during the 33rd Congress Session