

ROUNDTABLE “STRENGTHENING LOCAL AND REGIONAL DEMOCRACY IN UKRAINE”

InterContinental Kyiv Hotel, conference hall “Zoloti vorota”
2A Velyka Zhytomyrska Street, Kyiv, 01001, Ukraine

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CONTEXT

The roundtable “Strengthening local and regional democracy in Ukraine” will gather together the members of the delegation of Ukraine to the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe and representatives of national associations of local and regional authorities of Ukraine, as well as NGOs involved in the implementation of the local self-government reform in Ukraine.

The Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe and the Ukrainian national authorities signed, in 2015, a Roadmap for the implementation of the Congress recommendation on local and regional democracy in Ukraine. As a result of the continuous political dialogue, a high-level delegation, chaired by Mrs Gudrun Mosler-Törnström, the President of the Congress, will participate in series of meetings on 21-22 November 2017 in Kyiv to discuss recent developments in the implementation of the Roadmap and the on-going reforms in Ukraine.

The objective of the roundtable is to discuss with representatives of local and regional authorities and their associations the challenges faced in the process of reform and the priorities for enhanced decentralisation and local self-government.

The roundtable “Strengthening local and regional democracy in Ukraine” is organised by the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe within the project “Promoting local democracy in Ukraine” and the Council of Europe Action Plan 2015 - 2017 for Ukraine.

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The Congress of Local and Regional Authorities is an institution of the Council of Europe, responsible for strengthening local and regional democracy in its 47 member states. Composed of two chambers – the Chamber of Local Authorities and the Chamber of Regions – and three committees, it brings together 648 elected officials representing more than 200 000 local and regional authorities.

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08:30 – 09:00 **Registration of participants**

-> Welcoming coffee

09:00 – 09:30 **Opening**

Moderated by **Jean-Philippe BOZOULS**, Director of the Congress

Welcoming remarks

Gudrun MOSLER-TÖRNSTRÖM, President of the Congress

Volodymyr PROKOPIV, Head of the delegation of Ukraine to the Congress

09:30 – 10:20**Implementation of the Roadmap for Ukraine in the context of the post-monitoring dialogue: challenges and opportunities for local and regional authorities in the reform process**

Oleksandr SLOBOZHAN, Executive Director of the Association of Ukrainian Cities

Yuriy ANDRIYCHUK, Executive Director of the Association of Rayon and Oblast Councils

Mykola POYEDYNOK, Executive Director of the Association of Village and Settlement Councils

Roundtable discussion with the participation of representatives of the management boards of associations and Congress members

10:20 – 11:20**Decentralisation and amalgamation in Ukraine: achievements, challenges and prospects**

Round table discussion with the contribution of members of the delegation of Ukraine to the Congress and the Congress high-level delegation

11:20 – 11:30**Concluding remarks**

Gudrun MOSLER-TÖRNSTRÖM, President of the Congress

Volodymyr PROKOPIV, Head of the delegation of Ukraine to the Congress

→ Closing coffee

PARTICIPANTS

Congress delegation:

Gudrun MOSLER-TÖRNSTRÖM, President of the Congress (R, SOC)¹ Vice-President of the Regional Parliament of Salzburg, Austria

Gunn Marit HELGESEN, President of the Chamber of Regions (EPP-CCE), Rapporteur on regional democracy in Ukraine, County councillor of Telemark, Norway

Yuliya SVITLYCHNA, Vice-President of the Congress (R, ILDG), Councillor of Kharkiv Regional Council, Ukraine

Leendert VERBEEK, President of the Monitoring Committee (R, SOC), King's Commissioner of Flevoland, Netherlands

Marc COOLS, Rapporteur on local democracy Chamber of Local Authorities (L, ILDG) Member of the Monitoring Committee of the Congress, First Deputy Mayor of Uccle, Belgium

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Svitlana PEREVERTEN, Co-secretary to the Monitoring Committee

Association of Ukrainian Cities

Vitaliy KLYTCHKO, Mayor of Kyiv, Chairperson of Association

Oleksandr SLOBOZHAN, Executive director of Association

Representatives of the Management Board of Association

Association of Oblast and Rayon Councils of Ukraine

Yuriy ANDRIYCHUK, Executive director of Association

Glib PRYGUNOV, Vice-President, Chairperson of Dnipropetrovsk oblast council

Association of Village and Settlement Councils of Ukraine

Mykola POYEDYNOK, Executive director of Association

Representatives of the Management Board of Association

Association of amalgamated communities

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¹ L: Chamber of Local Authorities / R: Chamber of Regions
EPP/CCE: European People's Party Group in the Congress
SOC: Socialist Group
ILDG: Independent and Liberal Democrat Group in the Congress
ECR: European Conservatives and Reformists Group
NR: Members not belonging to a political Group of the Congress

Members of the Ukrainian delegation to the Congress

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Volodymyr ANOPRIYENKO, Councillor, Zhashkiv District Council, Cherkasy region

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Serhiy MORGUNOV, Mayor of Vinnytsya

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