

42nd SESSION
CPR(2022)42-PV

MINUTES

Wednesday 23 March 2022

Chamber of Regions

9.00 -12.00, Hybrid meeting (Room 9)

1.	<p>Opening of the Chamber Session by the President</p> <p>Harald SONDEREGGER, President of the Chamber, took the Chair at 09.00 and declared the 42nd Session of the Chamber of Regions open.</p>
2.	<p>Adoption of the draft agenda of the Chamber</p> <p>The President proposed that the draft agenda contained in Document CPR(2022)42-OJ be adopted.</p> <p>The draft agenda was adopted.</p>
3.	<p>Election of a Vice-President of the Chamber</p> <p>The President informed the Chamber that as a consequence of the decision of the Committee of Ministers, that the Russian Federation is no longer a member of the Council of Europe, an election is organised pursuant to Rule 15.4 of the Rules and Procedures, contained in Document CPR(2022)42-03.</p> <p>The Executive Secretary had received the name of only one candidate for the office of Vice-President, that of Antonija JOZIĆ, Prefect of the County of Požega-Slavonija in Croatia (EPP/CCE), and this candidate complied with Rules 13.1 and 13.4 of the Rules and Procedures.</p> <p>Gunn Marit HELGESEN, 1st Vice-President addressed the Chamber, on behalf of Antonija JOZIĆ.</p> <p>Being the sole candidate, Antonija JOZIĆ was declared elected as Vice-President, in accordance with Rule 15.7 of the Rules and Procedures.</p>
4.	<p>Communication by the President</p> <p>The President presented his communication to the Chamber contained in Document CPR(2022)42-01.</p>
5.	<p>Statement by Jean-Claude MARCOURT, President of the Conference of European Regional Legislative Assemblies (CALRE) and President of the Walloon Parliament, Belgium</p> <p>Jean-Claude MARCOURT made a statement.</p> <p>The President thanked Jean-Claude MARCOURT.</p>

	<p>The debate was opened.</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i> Karl-Heinz LAMBERTZ, Belgium, (R, SOC/G/PD).</p> <p>The debate was closed.</p>
6.	<p>Democratic pluralism in regional governance: the relationship between the majority and the opposition (Opinion of the Venice Commission)</p> <p>The President informed members that a concept note for the debate was available in Document CPR(2022)42-02.</p> <p>The President welcomed the following speakers and invited them to make a statement:</p> <p>Vladimir PREBILIC, Slovenia (L, SOC/G/PD), Rapporteur of the Congress on “The situation of independent candidates and the opposition in local and regional elections”;</p> <p>Pierre GARRONE, Head of the Division of elections and political parties, the European Commission for Democracy through Law of the Council of Europe (the Venice Commission);</p> <p>Benno SCHERRER, President of the Zurich Cantonal Council, Switzerland;</p> <p>Josef NEUMANN, Member of the State parliament of North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany, presented their statements to the Chamber.</p> <p>The debate was opened.</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Eirini DOUROU, Greece (SOC/G/PD); Beatrice JURGAITYTE, Lithuania, (Youth Delegate); Thomas ANDERSSON, Sweden (ILDG); Kristoffer TAMSONS, Sweden (EPP/CCE); Cecilia DALMAN EEK, Sweden (SOC/G/PD); Abdelaziz DEROUICHE, Morocco (L, Partner for local democracy).</p> <p>Vladimir PREBILIC, Pierre GARRONE, Benno SCHERRER and Josef NEUMANN replied to the debate.</p> <p>The debate was closed.</p> <p>The President thanked the speakers.</p>
7.	<p>Regions and diaspora: diaspora representation in host regions and relations with regions of origin</p> <p>The President informed members that a concept note for the debate was available in Document CPR(2022)42-02.</p> <p>The President welcomed the following speakers, and invited them to make a statement:</p> <p>Domagoj HAJDUKOVIC, Third Vice-Chair of the PACE Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons, Member of the Sub-Committee on Diasporas and Integration, Croatia;</p> <p>Ingo ERRICHER, Tirol International Network for Tiroleans living abroad;</p> <p>Pedro FARIA E CASTRO, Member of the Regional Government of the Azores, Portugal;</p> <p>Sharon AMADI, Italy (Youth Delegate), presented their statements to the Chamber.</p> <p>The debate was opened.</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Hanna ZAMAZIEIEVA, Ukraine (ILDG); Beatrice JURGAITYTE, Lithuania (Youth Delegate).</p> <p>Pedro FARIA E CASTRO and Sharon AMADI replied to the debate.</p> <p>The debate was closed.</p> <p>The President thanked the speakers.</p>

8.	Free debate <i>Subject: Update from the Current Affairs Committee</i> <i>Speaker: Thomas ANDERSSON, Sweden (ILDG).</i> The President thanked the speaker.
10.	Date of the next Session The next Session of the Chamber would take place during the 43rd Session of the Congress, from 25 to 27 October 2022.
11.	Adoption of the abridged report of the Session of the Chamber The President proposed that the abridged report of the Session of the Chamber, contained in Document CPR(2022)42-DEC, was adopted. The abridged report of the Session of the Chamber was adopted.
12.	Close by the President of the Chamber The President thanked the members of the Chamber for their participation. The President declared the 42nd Session of the Chamber closed at 11.49.

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