

CG(2023)45-DEC
26 October 2023

**45th Congress Session
Strasbourg, plenary sittings 24-26 October 2023
Abridged report – list of items discussed and decisions taken**

1. The President of the Congress, Leendert VERBEEK opened the 45th Session. The list of participants appears in Appendix 1.
2. The Congress adopted Resolution 492 on the *Verification of new members' credentials*, as set out in document CG(2023)45-02, presented by Xavier CADORET, France (L, SOC/G/PD) on behalf of his co-rapporteur Aleksandra MALETIĆ, Serbia, (R, EPP/CCE).
3. The Congress elected its new President, Marc COOLS, by voting system.
4. The Congress adopted the agenda as set out in Appendix 2.
5. The Congress adopted the minutes of the last sitting of the 44th Session (23 March 2022) as set out in Document CG(2023)44-PV-03.
6. The Congress adopted the composition of Congress committees as set out in document CG(2023)45-03.
7. The Congress took note of the statement by the outgoing President of the Congress as set out in Document CG(2023)45-10.
8. The Congress heard a statement by Claire BAZY MALAURIE, President of the European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission) and held an exchange of views with her.
9. The Congress heard a statement by Tanja GONGGRIJP, Vice-Chair of the Conference of Participants of the Register of damage caused by the Russian Federation's aggression against Ukraine on *The role of local and regional authorities in ensuring accountability*.

The Congress held a debate and adopted Resolution 494 on *The plight of anti-war political activists and prisoners of conscience in Russia and in the temporarily occupied territories of Ukraine*, as set out in document CG(2023)45-19, presented by the rapporteur Leen VERBEEK, Netherlands (R, SOC/G/PD).

10. The Congress held a debate and adopted Resolution 495 on the *European Urban Charter III (2023): Urban living in the era of transformations*, as set out in document CG(2023)45-20, presented by Chair of the Governance Committee, and heard statements by Danela ARSOVSKA, Mayor of Skopje, North Macedonia, Chair of the UN ECE Forum of Mayors and by youth delegate Zeynep GÜNER, Türkiye.
11. The Congress heard a statement by Bjørn BERGE, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe and adopted Resolution 493 *Delivering on the Reykjavik summit: revised Congress priorities, working procedures and structures*, presented by the co-rapporteurs: Harald SONDEREGGER, Austria (R, EPP/CCE) and Bernd VÖHRINGER, Germany (L, EPP/CCE).
12. The Congress heard a statement by Tatiana MOLCEAN, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe and held an exchange of views with her on *the Outcome of the UN Summit on Sustainable Development Goals, 19-20 September, New York, USA*.
13. The Congress adopted the minutes of the sitting of the Congress on 24 October 2023 as set out in documents CG(2023)45-PV-01am and CG(2023)45-PV-01pm.
14. The Congress adopted the texts approved by the Chamber of Local Authorities and Chamber of Regions as set out in Document CG(2023)45-06.

15. The Congress took note of the elections for the posts of presidents and vice-presidents of the chambers.

16. The Congress heard a statement by Inga BĒRZIŅA, Minister for Environmental Protection and Regional Development on behalf of the Latvian Presidency of the Committee of Ministers, and held a debate with her.

17. The Congress heard a statement by Matthew BARRACLOUGH, Executive Lead, Local News Partnerships, BBC, United Kingdom, held a debate and adopted Recommendation 498 and Resolution 496 on *Local and regional media: watchdogs of democracy, guardians of community cohesion*, as set out in Document CG(2023)45-11, presented by the co-rapporteurs Cecilia DALMAN EEK, Sweden (R, SOC/G/PD) and Mélanie LEPOULTIER, France (L, ILDG).

18. The Congress held a debate on *Youth engagement as the driving force for change* and heard a presentation by :

- Eline THOR ELIASSEN, Denmark
- Janis IEVINS, Latvia
- Selina COMO, Albania
- Hannah SATTLACKER, Austria and Simon GOLOMBEK, Norway
- Catarina SEMEDO MADAÍL DE OLIVEIRA, Portugal
- František BREZO, Slovak Republic

The Congress heard a statement by Antonella VALMORBIDA, Secretary General of the European Association for Local Democracy (ALDA) on *Youth engagement as a factor of peace and reconciliation*.

19. The Congress held a debate and adopted Recommendation 499 on *Monitoring of the European Charter of Local Self-Government in Ireland*, as set out in Document CG(2023)45-17, presented by the co-rapporteurs Vladimir PREBILIC, Slovenia (L, SOC/G/PD) and Gunn-Marit HELGESEN, Norway (R, EPP/CCE). The Congress also heard a statement by Kieran O'DONNELL, Minister of State with Responsibility for Local Government and Planning, Ireland.

20. The Congress adopted the minutes of the sessions of the chambers and of the sitting of the Congress on 25 October 2023 as set out in Documents CPL(2023)45-PV, CPR(2023)45-PV and CG(2023)45-PV-02.

21. The Congress heard statements by Vincent JEANBRUN, Mayor of L'Haÿ-les-Roses, France, Kristoffer TAMSONS, Congress Co-rapporteur on "Hate speech and fake news: the impact on working conditions of local and regional elected representatives", Sweden (R, PPE, CCE), Samantha TOWNSEND, Councillor, Shildon and Dene Valley, Durham County, United Kingdom, and held a debate with them on *Violence against local and regional elected representatives*.

22. The Congress held a debate and adopted Declaration 7(2023) on *The humanitarian situation in Karabakh and neighbouring cities and region*, as set out in Document CG(2023)45-21, presented by the rapporteur Bernd VÖHRINGER, Germany (L, EPP/CCE).

23. The Congress held a debate and adopted Recommendation 500 on *Monitoring of the European Charter of Local Self-Government in the Slovak Republic*, as set out in document CG(2023)45-18, presented by the co-rapporteurs Matthias GYSIN, Switzerland, (L, ILDG) and Levan ZHORZHOLIANI, (Georgia, R, SOC/G/PD).

24. The Congress adopted the present abridged report of the 45th Session.

25. The President closed the 45th Session.

Appendix 1 – List of participants**ATTENDANCE LIST / LISTE DE PRESENCE****Plenary session / Session plénière****Total****National delegations / Délégations nationales**

AGOVIC Samir replacing/remplaçant VUJACIC Sladjana	MONTENEGRO / MONTENEGRO
AKGUN Hasan	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
ALBAYRAK Seref replacing/remplaçant AYIK Hilal	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
ALDOZO Tamas	HUNGARY / HONGRIE
ALIYEV Rauf	AZERBAIJAN / AZERBAÏDJAN
ALTUNTAS Umit	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
AMUNDSEN Gry-Anette Rekanes	NORWAY / NORVÈGE
ANASTASIADOU Irene	CYPRUS / CHYPRE
ANDRIULAITYTE Ieva	LITHUANIA / LITUANIE
ANTONIOU Eleftherios replacing/remplaçant ORPHANIDOU Efterpi	CYPRUS / CHYPRE
ARSOVSKA Danela	NORTH MACEDONIA / MACÉDOINE DU NORD
BABIC Tea	CROATIA / CROATIE
BADENSCHIER Rico replacing/remplaçant FASSBINDER Stefan	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
BAILEY Rachel	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
BAKKAY Richard Levente	HUNGARY / HONGRIE
BANNE GAL Boglarka replacing/remplaçant SZEMEREYNE PATAKI Klaudia	HUNGARY / HONGRIE
BAS Cemal	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
BASTIN Jean-Paul replacing/remplaçant POULIN Christine	BELGIUM / BELGIQUE
BATTAGLINI Mimosa	ITALY / ITALIE
BECK Rainer	LIECHTENSTEIN / LIECHTENSTEIN
BEI Vitalii	UKRAINE / UKRAINE
BEKTAS Lale replacing/remplaçant KERIMOGLU Bulent	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
BENLLOCH FERNANDEZ Jose	SPAIN / ESPAGNE
BENTLEY Kevin	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
BENTSINK Merel	NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS
BERGMANN Harald	NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS
BERGMANN Gunther	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
BERGSVAG Arne	NORWAY / NORVÈGE
BERNASCONI Giulio	ITALY / ITALIE
BERTANI Milena	ITALY / ITALIE
BERTHOLLE Veronique	FRANCE / FRANCE
BINDI Alessandro	SAN MARINO / SAINT MARIN
BLANCO MORENO Jose Luis replacing/remplaçant CABALLERO ALVAREZ Abel	SPAIN / ESPAGNE
BOCCHINO Sabrina replacing/remplaçant TOMA Donato	ITALY / ITALIE

BOFF Andrew	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
BOHATYRCHUK KRYVKO Svitlana	UKRAINE / UKRAINE
BOKUCHAVA Tatiana	GEORGIA / GÉORGIE
BOLLMARK Henning	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
BOMAN Jan	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
BOOMGAARS Alexander replacing/remplaçant	NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS
BENGEVOORD Joris	
BOYES Angela	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
BOZTUG Bulent	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
BREZO Frantisek	SLOVAK REPUBLIC / RÉPUBLIQUE SLOVAQUE
BROZ Zdenek	CZECH REPUBLIC / RÉPUBLIQUE TCHÈQUE
BUCHANAN Anthony replacing/remplaçant	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
BRANNAN MCVIEY Heather	
BUFI Majlinda	ALBANIA / ALBANIE
BUGETTI Ilaria replacing/remplaçant EMILIANO Michele	ITALY / ITALIE
BUYUKAKIN Tahir	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
CADORET Xavier	FRANCE / FRANCE
CAMPANARI-TALABER Marta	HUNGARY / HONGRIE
CELIK Yasemen	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
CHAMAKIOTI Despoina	GREECE / GRÈCE
CHERNOV Sergii	UKRAINE / UKRAINE
CHEVALLEY Christine	SWITZERLAND / SUISSE
COMO Selina	ALBANIA / ALBANIE
CONON Torbjörn	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
COOLS Marc	BELGIUM / BELGIQUE
CRISTEA Maria Francesca	ROMANIA / ROUMANIE
CROVETTO Marjorie	MONACO / MONACO
CROWE John	IRELAND / IRLANDE
DALMAN EEK Cecilia	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
DAVIDOVIC Dusica	SERBIA / SERBIE
DEBEVE Christian	FRANCE / FRANCE
DEJONGHE Carla	BELGIUM / BELGIQUE
DELISSEN VAN TONGERLO Wilma	NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS
DENIS Jonathan replacing/remplaçant STEWART Rob	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
DERKACH Oksana	UKRAINE / UKRAINE
DICKSON Stewart	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
DIESCHBURG-NICKELS Martine	LUXEMBOURG / LUXEMBOURG
DODD Richard replacing/remplaçant vacant seat / siège vacant	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
DOGUCU Seyma	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
DOUROU Eirini	GREECE / GRÈCE
DREES Sabine	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
DRENJANIN Jelena	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
DVORAKOVA Lenka	CZECH REPUBLIC / RÉPUBLIQUE TCHÈQUE
EFENDIC Semir	BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA / BOSNIE-HERZÉGOVINE
EGUTIDZE Ana	GEORGIA / GÉORGIE

ELYA Dema	NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS
ENE Gabriela Corina	ROMANIA / ROUMANIE
EPPICH Nicky	NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS
ERAY David	SWITZERLAND / SUISSE
ESTEVES Joao Manuel replacing/remplaçant	PORTUGAL / PORTUGAL
GONCALVES Jose	
FAGIOLI Alessandro	ITALY / ITALIE
FARIA E CASTRO Pedro	PORTUGAL / PORTUGAL
FARRICI Adelina	ALBANIA / ALBANIE
FEHR Jacqueline replacing/remplaçant vacant seat / siège vacant	SWITZERLAND / SUISSE
FEHR Erich	SWITZERLAND / SUISSE
FEJSTAMER Robert	SERBIA / SERBIE
FIDAN Adalet	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
FILO Sotiraq	ALBANIA / ALBANIE
FLORIAN SCHUETZ Peter replacing/remplaçant	AUSTRIA / AUTRICHE
APPLER Christoph	
FRAISS Daniela	AUSTRIA / AUTRICHE
FREITAG Sven	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
FRINTSKO Iurii replacing/remplaçant KLIUCHKA Yurii	UKRAINE / UKRAINE
FURDUI Viorel	REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA / RÉPUBLIQUE DE MOLDOVA
GALIT Maria	REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA / RÉPUBLIQUE DE MOLDOVA
GARCIA URBANO Jose Maria	SPAIN / ESPAGNE
GAUDRON Romain replacing/remplaçant	BELGIUM / BELGIQUE
BANGISA Gaetan	
GEGUZINSKAS Gintautas	LITHUANIA / LITUANIE
GEMESI Gyorgy	HUNGARY / HONGRIE
GILI CASALS Rosa	ANDORRA / ANDORRE
GILLHAM Linda	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
GOLASZEWSKI Marcin	POLAND / POLOGNE
GOLOMBEK Simon Ingebrigt	NORWAY / NORVÈGE
GOTTARDI Belinda	ITALY / ITALIE
GRIGOLIA Otar	GEORGIA / GÉORGIE
GRIGORYAN Edvard	ARMENIA / ARMÉNIE
GRIVOVA Vanya	BULGARIA / BULGARIE
GROLET Francoise	FRANCE / FRANCE
GUIGNARD Thibaut	FRANCE / FRANCE
GULER Hilmi	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
GUNER Zeynep	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
GURBANSKA Vesna	NORTH MACEDONIA / MACÉDOINE DU NORD
GYSIN Matthias replacing/remplaçant	SWITZERLAND / SUISSE
BELTRAMINELLI Paolo	
HALAS-PACZYNSKA Katarzyna	POLAND / POLOGNE
HATVA Teuvo	FINLAND / FINLANDE
HAYWARD Zacchaeus	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
HELGESEN Gunn Marit	NORWAY / NORVÈGE
HENOU Felix	FRANCE / FRANCE

HJORTH-JOHANSEN Knut	NORWAY / NORVÈGE
HOIAN Tetiana	UKRAINE / UKRAINE
HORDEJUK Bernadeta	POLAND / POLOGNE
HUBERS Alain	NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS
HUGHES Ian	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
HULKOVA Gabriela	CZECH REPUBLIC / RÉPUBLIQUE TCHÈQUE
HUSEYNOV Humbat	AZERBAIJAN / AZERBAÏDJAN
HUSEYNOVA Samira	AZERBAIJAN / AZERBAÏDJAN
HYSKY Martin replacing/remplaçant HOLIS Radim	CZECH REPUBLIC / RÉPUBLIQUE TCHÈQUE
IACOP Franco replacing/remplaçant BIANCO Vincenzo	ITALY / ITALIE
IBRAHIMOV Anar	AZERBAIJAN / AZERBAÏDJAN
ILLES Gyorgy	HUNGARY / HONGRIE
JALILZADE Aida	AZERBAIJAN / AZERBAÏDJAN
JANKOWIAK Wojciech	POLAND / POLOGNE
JORGENSEN Dennis Alex	DENMARK / DANEMARK
JUHKAMI Mihkel	ESTONIA / ESTONIE
JUHNA Mudite	LATVIA / LETTONIE
KAFATSAKI Stamatia	GREECE / GRÈCE
KALEVA Atte	FINLAND / FINLANDE
KAMINSKIS Gints	LATVIA / LETTONIE
KARACSONY Janos Adam	HUNGARY / HONGRIE
KARIMLI Aida	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
KASK Henry	ESTONIA / ESTONIE
KAYA-KARADAG Sevim	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
KENNY Liam	IRELAND / IRLANDE
KHAZHAKYAN Davit	ARMENIA / ARMÉNIE
KILINÇ Çağatay Emre	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
KITT Richard	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
KLEMP Heiner	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
KLIMEK Beata	POLAND / POLOGNE
KNAPE Anders	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
KOKKO Jani	FINLAND / FINLANDE
KORINNYI Oleksandr	UKRAINE / UKRAINE
KOSIR Anja	SLOVENIA / SLOVÉNIE
KOUKAS Konstantinos	GREECE / GRÈCE
KOUKLIS Marios replacing/remplaçant VYRAS Andreas	CYPRUS / CHYPRE
KOVALENKO Volodymyr	UKRAINE / UKRAINE
KULHANEK Petr	CZECH REPUBLIC / RÉPUBLIQUE TCHÈQUE
LABAN Joanne Louise	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
LAMMERSKITTEN Clemens	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
LAURO Laura	ITALY / ITALIE
LEADBETTER Andrew	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
LEDL-ROSSMANN Sonja	AUSTRIA / AUTRICHE
LENDO Refik	BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA / BOSNIE-HERZÉGOVINE
LEPOULTIER Melanie	FRANCE / FRANCE

LEVEQUE Dominique replacing/remplaçant DARRAS Zohra	FRANCE / FRANCE
LIEBETRUTH Doerte	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
LOKSLID Sven Tore	NORWAY / NORVÈGE
LUKASHUK Mykola	UKRAINE / UKRAINE
MAGNI Giuseppe	ITALY / ITALIE
MAGYAR Anna	HUNGARY / HONGRIE
MAJORAL OBIOLS Josep	ANDORRA / ANDORRE
MALTZ-SCHWARZFISCHER Gertrud	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
MAMMADOV Rovshan	AZERBAIJAN / AZERBAÏDJAN
MANGEAC Liliana	ROMANIA / ROUMANIE
MANOLI Oxana	REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA / RÉPUBLIQUE DE MOLDOVA
MAROY Olivier replacing/remplaçant LAMBERTZ Karl-Heinz	BELGIUM / BELGIQUE
MARSAN Georges	MONACO / MONACO
MATTHEY Patrick	SWITZERLAND / SUISSE
MAZUR Sergii	UKRAINE / UKRAINE
MAZZOLENI Alberto replacing/remplaçant VERCELLOTTI Paola	ITALY / ITALIE
MCDOWELL Alan	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
MIRCETIC Vuk	SERBIA / SERBIE
MISKINIENE Ausma	LITHUANIA / LITUANIE
MITROFANOVAS Vitalijus	LITHUANIA / LITUANIE
MOLONEY James	IRELAND / IRLANDE
MONDORF Randi	DENMARK / DANEMARK
MONTALTI Lia	ITALY / ITALIE
MOROZOV Yaroslav	UKRAINE / UKRAINE
MORTES PONS Josep Angel	ANDORRA / ANDORRE
MOSLER-TOERNSTROEM Gudrun	AUSTRIA / AUTRICHE
MUCCIOLI Maddalena	SAN MARINO / SAINT MARIN
MULAWA Michal	POLAND / POLOGNE
MUSSONI Sara	SAN MARINO / SAINT MARIN
NACHTERGAELE Joris	BELGIUM / BELGIQUE
NEFF Gabriele replacing/remplaçant BAIER- MULLER Indra	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
NI MHUIMNEACAIN Gobnait	IRELAND / IRLANDE
NIKOLASHVILI Tatia	GEORGIA / GÉORGIE
NUNES TAVARES Carla	PORTUGAL / PORTUGAL
OBALI Aysegul	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
OPREA Emilian	ROMANIA / ROUMANIE
OPSAL Kari-Anne replacing/remplaçant SORTLAND Petter	NORWAY / NORVÈGE
OSTAN Sandrine	MONACO / MONACO
OZKARSLI Enes	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
PACAUT Veronique replacing/remplaçant vacant seat / siège vacant	FRANCE / FRANCE
PALANCIOGLU Mustafa	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
PANTELI Despoina	GREECE / GRÈCE
PARSAMA Laura	FINLAND / FINLANDE

PASHYNNA Liliia	UKRAINE / UKRAINE
PASTOR Jacques	MONACO / MONACO
PATAKI Csaba	ROMANIA / ROUMANIE
PAULANE Vita replacing/remplaçant SILICKA Inara	LATVIA / LETTONIE
PEHLIVAN Gunes	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
PEKONEN Essi	FINLAND / FINLANDE
PEREZ MAS Isaac	ANDORRA / ANDORRE
PERIKLI Lefteris	CYPRUS / CHYPRE
PFEIFFER Pascale replacing/remplaçant BIERRY Frederic	FRANCE / FRANCE
PFISTER Darleen	SWITZERLAND / SUISSE
PILET Benoit	FRANCE / FRANCE
PINTAUER SMIT Iva	CROATIA / CROATIE
PODRAZKA Justyna	BELGIUM / BELGIQUE
PREBILIC Vladimir	SLOVENIA / SLOVÉNIE
PUCHEANU Ionut Florin	ROMANIA / ROUMANIE
QUIGNON Catherine replacing/remplaçant BENASSAYA Philippe	FRANCE / FRANCE
RAVINS Andris	LATVIA / LETTONIE
RICHSTEIN Barbara replacing/remplaçant SCHARFENBERGER Heike	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
RIVA VERCELLOTTI Carlo replacing/remplaçant ZAIA Luca	ITALY / ITALIE
ROBINSON Linda replacing/remplaçant vacant seat / siège vacant	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
ROCKLIND Johan	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
RODRIGUES DA VEIGA FREIRE Olga Cristina	PORTUGAL / PORTUGAL
RODRIGUEZ PEREZ Andres	SPAIN / ESPAGNE
ROHR Reinhart	AUSTRIA / AUTRICHE
RONGEVAER Bjoern	NORWAY / NORVÈGE
ROSENBERG Michael	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
RUDKIN Bryony	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
SAGAN Maros replacing/remplaçant RADZNIAKOVA Iveta	SLOVAK REPUBLIC / RÉPUBLIQUE SLOVAQUE
SAKO Emiriana replacing/remplaçant VELIAJ Erion	ALBANIA / ALBANIE
SANCHEZ Mercedes	SPAIN / ESPAGNE
SANSA JORDAN Eva	ANDORRA / ANDORRE
SANTTI Ulla replacing/remplaçant vacant seat / siège vacant	FINLAND / FINLANDE
SCHALKE Paula Charlotte	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
SCHNEIDER Anita	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
SCHOEFS Charlotte	BELGIUM / BELGIQUE
SCHULENBURG Tony Chris replacing/remplaçant VOM BRUCH Thomas	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
SCHUMACHER Soeren	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
SCHWARTZOVA Zuzana	SLOVAK REPUBLIC / RÉPUBLIQUE SLOVAQUE
SELAMI Alma replacing/remplaçant MEMAJ Juliana	ALBANIA / ALBANIE

SELLSTROM Anders replacing/remplaçant	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
DRENJANIN Jelena	
SEMEDO MADAIL DE OLIVEIRA Catarina	PORTUGAL / PORTUGAL
SEPIAL Remigiusz	POLAND / POLOGNE
SEQUEIRA Jorge	PORTUGAL / PORTUGAL
SERJEANT Amanda replacing/remplaçant	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
PANDOR Shabir	
SLAMOVA Stepanka	CZECH REPUBLIC / RÉPUBLIQUE TCHÈQUE
SMOLOVIC Petar	MONTENEGRO / MONTENEGRO
SONDEREGGER Harald	AUSTRIA / AUTRICHE
SOYER Tunc	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
STADELMANN-MEYER Franziska	SWITZERLAND / SUISSE
STAUFER Leon	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
STERRER Pauline	AUSTRIA / AUTRICHE
STOJANOVIC Igor replacing/remplaçant	BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA / BOSNIE-HERZÉGOVINE
BRADARA Lidija	
TAGHIYEV Tamraz	AZERBAIJAN / AZERBAÏDJAN
TALVISTE Irina	ESTONIA / ESTONIE
TAMSONS Kristoffer replacing/remplaçant	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
KNAPE Anders	
TARNAVSKI Alexandr replacing/remplaçant	REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA / RÉPUBLIQUE DE MOLDOVA
OMBUN Mariana	
TARSCHYS INGRE Amelie	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
TCHEISHVILI Irakli	GEORGIA / GÉORGIE
THOMASSON Karin replacing/remplaçant	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
BOMAN Jan	
THOR ELIASSEN Eline	DENMARK / DANEMARK
THORNTON Peter	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
TKEMALADZE George replacing/remplaçant	GEORGIA / GÉORGIE
KALADZE Kakha	
TOMA Catalin	ROMANIA / ROUMANIE
TRAVAGLINI Fabio	ITALY / ITALIE
TRIFUNOVIC Jelena	SERBIA / SERBIE
TRIFUNOVIC Dunja	SERBIA / SERBIE
TVARNO Henrik replacing/remplaçant DALMAN	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
EEK Cecilia	
UGREKHELIDZE Sevdia	GEORGIA / GÉORGIE
VAIKLA Annika	ESTONIA / ESTONIE
VAN DEN BERG Brigitte	NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS
VANGEYTE Kristin	BELGIUM / BELGIQUE
VAZQUEZ REQUERO Francisco	SPAIN / ESPAGNE
replacing/remplaçant DIAZ ROBLEDO Julio	
VERBEEK Leendert	NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS
VERES Richard replacing/remplaçant HRIB	CZECH REPUBLIC / RÉPUBLIQUE TCHÈQUE
Zdenek	
VERGILI Rafet	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
VOEHRINGER Bernd	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
VUKOTIC Una	MONTENEGRO / MONTENEGRO
VUKSA FEJZIC Zeljko	BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA / BOSNIE-HERZÉGOVINE
WINIKER Paul	SWITZERLAND / SUISSE

YAKOVENKO Anastasiia	UKRAINE / UKRAINE
YERITSYAN Emin	ARMENIA / ARMÉNIE
YILMAZ Yucel	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
YILMAZ Ferhat replacing/remplaçant DEMIRTAS Necattin	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
ZHORZHOLIANI Levan	GEORGIA / GÉORGIE
Partners for Local Democracy / Partenaires pour la démocratie locale	
AMEUR Mostafa	MOROCCO / MAROC
EL ABDI Rachid	MOROCCO / MAROC
EL K'HIEL Fatna	MOROCCO / MAROC
HORMATOLLAH Erragheb	MOROCCO / MAROC
ZAHIDI Aatimad	MOROCCO / MAROC
Special guest delegations / Délégations d'invités spéciaux	
Youth Delegates / Délégués jeunes	
BABIC Tea	CROATIA / CROATIE
BAKKAY Richard Levente	HUNGARY / HONGRIE
BERNASCONI Giulio	ITALY / ITALIE
BOLLMARK Henning	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
BREZO Frantisek	SLOVAK REPUBLIC / RÉPUBLIQUE SLOVAQUE
COMO Selina	ALBANIA / ALBANIE
CRISTEA Maria Francesca	ROMANIA / ROUMANIE
EGUTIDZE Ana	GEORGIA / GÉORGIE
ELYA Dema	NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS
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Appendix 2 – Agenda

Tuesday 24 October 2023 – meeting held in the European Parliament Hemicycle
Plenary sitting [EN/FR/DE/IT/TR]
10.30-12.30
** Deadline for tabling amendments: 10.00 Tuesday 17 October 2023*

10.30	Opening of the 45th Session of the Congress by the President Leendert VERBEEK
10.35	Verification of new members' credentials [CG(2023)45-04] Presentation by the co-rapporteurs: Xavier CADORET, France (L, SOC/G/PD) and Aleksandra MALETIĆ, Serbia (R, EPP/CCE) Debate and vote on the draft resolution [CG(2023)45-02]* 
10.50	Election of the President of the Congress [deadline for candidatures: 10.30 Monday 23 October 2023] Presentation of the candidates (3 minutes each) Vote using the EP system Result of the election 
11.10	Statement by the newly elected President of the Congress
11.20	Adoption of the agenda of the 45th Session [CG(2023)45-OJ] Adoption of the minutes of the last sitting of the 44th Session (23 March 2023) [CG(2023)44-PV-03] Adoption of the composition of Congress committees [CG(2023)45-03]
11.25	Congress Presidency 2021-2023: Statement by the outgoing President Leendert VERBEEK [CG(2023)45-10] Debate
11.40	Statement by Claire BAZY MALAURIE, President of the European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission) Exchange of views
12.30	Close of the sitting
12.45	<i>EVENT: Inauguration: exhibition José Guadalupe Posada - The Resistance of Mexican Freedom of Press, and Mezcal tasting (traditional drink) - Permanent Mission of Mexico – main Hall of the Palais, ground floor</i>

Tuesday 24 October 2023 - meeting held in the European Parliament Hemicycle
Plenary sitting [EN/FR/DE/IT/TR] **[UKR]

14.30-19.00

* Deadline for tabling amendments: 10.00 Tuesday 17 October 2023

14.30	The Russian Federation's war against Ukraine ** - The role of local and regional authorities in ensuring accountability – the Register of Damage caused by the Aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine • Statement by Tanja GONGGRIJP, Vice-Chair of the Conference of Participants of the Register of damage caused by the Russian Federation's aggression against Ukraine - The plight of anti-war political activists and prisoners of conscience in Russia Presentation by the rapporteur: Leen VERBEEK, Netherlands (R, SOC/G/PD) Debate Vote on the amendments [CG(2023)45-19-AMDT] and on the draft resolution [CG(2023)45-19]* 
16.00	European Urban Charter III (2023): Urban living in the era of transformations Rapporteur: Anne COLGAN, Ireland (L, ILDG) Presentation by the Chair of the Governance Committee Statements by: - Danela ARSOVSKA, Mayor of Skopje, North Macedonia, Chair of the UN ECE Forum of Mayors - Zeynep GÜNER, Youth delegate, Türkiye Debate and vote on the draft resolution [CG(2023)45-20]* 
17.00	Follow-up to the 4th Summit of the Heads of State and Government of the Council of Europe on 16-17 May 2023 in Reykjavik, Iceland • Statement by Björn BERGE, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe Delivering on the Reykjavik summit: revised Congress priorities, working procedures and structures Presentation by the co-rapporteurs: Bernd VÖHRINGER, Germany (L, EPP/CCE) and Harald SONDEREGGER, Austria (R, EPP/CCE) Debate Vote on the amendments [CG(2023)45-12-AMDT] and on the draft resolution [CG(2023)45-12]* 
18.15	Outcome of the UN Summit on Sustainable Development Goals, 19-20 September, New York, USA Statement by Tatiana MOLCEAN, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Exchange of views
19.00	Close of the sitting
19.45	EVENT: Reception offered by the Permanent Representation of Latvia – European Parliamentary Association, Allée de la Robertsau

Wednesday 25 October 2023 - meeting held in the European Parliament Hemicycle

Plenary sitting [EN/FR/DE/IT/TR]

14.30-19.15

* Deadline for tabling amendments: 10.00 Wednesday 18 October 2023

14.30	Adoption of the minutes of the sitting of the Congress on 24 October 2023 [CG(2023)45-PV-01am] [CG(2023)45-PV-01pm]
14.32	Adoption of texts approved by the Chamber of Local Authorities [CG(2023)45-06]
14.35	Results of the elections for the posts of vice-presidents of the chambers
14.40	Latvian Presidency of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe (17 May 2023 – 15 November 2023) Statement by Inga BĒRZIŅA, Minister for Environmental Protection and Regional Development on behalf of the Latvian Presidency of the Committee of Ministers Oral reply to written questions [CG(2023)45-13] Deadline for tabling written questions: 16.00 Monday 23 October 2023
15.30	Local and regional media: watchdogs of democracy, guardians of community cohesion Presentation by the co-rapporteurs: Cecilia DALMAN EEK, Sweden (R, SOC/G/PD) and Mélodie LEPOULTIER, France (L, ILDG) Statement by Matthew BARRACLOUGH, Executive Lead, Local News Partnerships, BBC, United Kingdom Debate and vote on the draft resolution and draft recommendation [CG(2023)45-11] 
16.50	Youth engagement as the driving force for change • Presentation of the grass-roots projects by the youth delegates [CG(2023)45-16] Introduction by: Eline THOR ELIASSEN, Denmark - Janis IEVINS, Latvia - Selina COMO, Albania - Hannah SATTLECKER, Austria and Simon GOLOBEK, Norway - Catarina SEMEDO MADAÍL DE OLIVEIRA, Portugal - František BREZO, Slovak Republic • Youth engagement as a factor of peace and reconciliation Statement by Antonella VALMORBIDA, Secretary General of the European Association for Local Democracy (ALDA) Debate
18.20	Monitoring of the European Charter of Local Self-government in Ireland Presentation by the co-rapporteurs: Vladimir PREBILIC, Slovenia (L, SOC/G/PD) and Gunn-Marit HELGESEN, Norway (R, EPP/CCE) Debate and vote on the draft recommendation [CG(2023)45-17]  Statement by Kieran O'DONNELL, Minister of State with Responsibility for Local Government and Planning, Ireland Questions
19.15	Close of the sitting
20.00	Event: Reception offered by the City of Strasbourg - Pavillon Josephine, Orangerie Park

Thursday 26 October 2023 - meeting held in the European Parliament Hemicycle**Plenary sitting** [EN/FR/DE/IT/TR]

10.00-13.00

* Deadline for tabling amendments: 10.00 Thursday 19 October 2023

*** Deadline for tabling amendments on the draft declaration: 10.00 Wednesday 25 October 2023

10.00	Adoption of the minutes of the sessions of the chambers and of the sitting of the Congress on 25 October 2023 [CPL(2023)45-PV], [CPR(2023)45-PV] and [CG(2023)45-PV-02]
10.05	Violence against local and regional elected representatives Statements by: Vincent JEANBRUN, Mayor of L'Haÿ-les-Roses, France Kristoffer TAMSONS, Congress Co-rapporteur on "Hate speech and fake news: the impact on working conditions of local and regional elected representatives", Sweden (R, PPE, CCE) Samantha TOWNSEND, Councillor, Shildon and Dene Valley, Durham County, United Kingdom Debate
11.15	The humanitarian situation in Karabakh and neighbouring cities and regions Presentation by the rapporteur: Bernd VÖHRINGER, Germany (L, EPP/CCE) Debate Vote on the amendments [CG(2023)45-21-AMDT] and the draft declaration [CG(2023)45-21] ***
12.15	Monitoring of the European Charter of Local Self-government in the Slovak Republic Presentation by the co-rapporteurs: Matthias GYSIN, Switzerland, (L, ILDG) and Levan ZHORZHOLIANI, (Georgia, R, SOC/G/PD) Debate and vote on the draft recommendation [CG(2023)45-18] *
12.59	Adoption of the abridged report of the 45th Session [CG(2023)45-DEC]
13.00	Close of the 45th Session by the President of the Congress