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The Lisbon Forum 2023:

Human Rights, Environment, and Economic Crimes: Youth at the forefront

Lisbon, Portugal, 3 October 2023 – The 29th edition of the Lisbon Forum, themed "Human Rights, Environment, and Economic Crimes: Youth at the forefront," is slated to be held at the Ismaili Centre in Lisbon, Portugal, on 16 and 17 October 2023.

Building on the Council of Europe's priorities established at the [Reykjavik Summit](#) in May 2023, the 29th edition of the Lisbon Forum will focus on the intricate connections between economic crimes, corruption, and environmental issues. The Lisbon Forum 2023 will furthermore emphasise the pivotal role that young people play in catalysing change, particularly in the realm of combatting corruption and safeguarding the environment.

The Lisbon Forum 2023 recognises that these issues transcend geographical boundaries and require collaborative efforts on a global scale. It provides a platform for dialogue and reflection, bringing together representatives from international organisations, national governments, parliaments, local and regional authorities, civil society, youth organisations, academia, foundations, and media worldwide.

Speakers at the Forum this year include: Deputy Secretary-General of the Council of Europe **Bjørn BERGE**, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Portugal **Francisco ANDRÉ**, Vice-President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe **Edite ESTRELA**, Deputy Registrar of the European Court of Human Rights **Abel CAMPOS**, Director of Information Society and Action against Crime Directorate of the Council of Europe **Hanne JUNCHER**, Chairperson of the Advisory Council on Youth of the Council of Europe and Secretary General of Rural Youth Europe **Syros PAPADATOS**, Climate activist from Mauritius Island **Karuna RANA**, Climate activist from Libya **Nissa BEK**, amongst others.

For detailed information on the programme and the objectives of the Lisbon Forum 2023, please refer to the [webpage](#).

Background :

This event is organised in the framework of the [North-South Centre of the Council of Europe](#)'s project "All Informed, All Concerned" with the support of the Joint Programme of the European Union and the Council of Europe "Protecting human rights, the rule of law and democracy through shared standards in the Southern Mediterranean" ([South Programme V](#)), co-financed by both organisations and implemented by the Council of Europe.

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