

Bureau of the Chamber of Regions

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6 December 2021

**Meeting of the Bureau of the Chamber of Regions
Strasbourg, France, 6 December 2021
Abridged report – List of items discussed and decisions taken**

1. The President of the Chamber of Regions, Mr Harald SONDEREGGER opened the meeting. The list of participants appears in Appendix 1.
2. The Bureau adopted the agenda as set out in Appendix 2.
3. The Bureau considered the 41st Session of the Chamber held on 27 October 2021 and the follow-up to be given.
4. The Bureau approved the draft agenda of the 42nd Session of the Chamber as set out in document CG(2022)42-OJ including the following items:
 - Democratic pluralism in regional governance: relationship between the majority and the opposition [Opinion of the Venice Commission]
 - Regions and diaspora: Diaspora representation in host regions and relations with regions of origin
5. The Bureau took note of the future work programme of the Chamber as set out in document CPR/BUR(2021)31-FWP and held an exchange of views on the Chamber's priorities.
6. The Bureau took note of the events organised by Congress partners and the participation of Chamber members in those events.
7. No other business was raised.
8. The Bureau took note that the next meeting of the Bureau of the Chamber will be held in Strasbourg on 11 February 2022.
9. The Bureau adopted the present abridged report of the meeting.
10. The President of the Chamber closed the meeting.

Appendix 1 – List of participants

Members of the Bureau:

Harald SONDEREGGER, Austria (R, EPP/CCE), President of the Chamber of Regions
Gunn Marit HELGESEN, Norway (R, EPP/CCE)
Aleksandra MALETIĆ, Serbia (R, EPP/CCE)
Lia MONTALTI, Italy (R, SOC/G/PD)
Cecilia DALMAN ECK, Sweden (R, SOC/G/PD)
Alexander DROZDENKO, Russian Federation (R, EPP/CCCE)

Chairs of Congress committees:

Thomas ANDERSSON, Sweden (R, ILDG), Current Affairs Committee

Chairs of Congress political groups:

Andrew BOFF, United Kingdom (R, ECR) representing Svitlana BOHATYRCHUK KRYVKO
Marc COOLS, Belgium (L, ILDG)
Karl-Heinz LAMBERTZ, Belgium (R, SOC/G/PD)

Secretariat:

Andreas KIEFER, Secretary General of the Congress
Rafael BENITEZ, Director of the Congress
Dmitri MARCHENKOV, Executive Secretary of the Chamber of Regions
Julian KOSITZ, Policy Officer, Co-operation and External Relations
Katyana VASILEVA, Assistant a.i. to the Bureau of the Chamber of Regions

Appendix 2 – Agenda

1. Opening of the meeting by the President of the Chamber
Harald SONDEREGGER, Austria (EPP/CCE)
2. Adoption of the draft agenda [\[CPR-BUR\(2022\)31-OJ\]](#)
3. Follow-up of the 41st Session of the Chamber of Regions
(Strasbourg, 27 October 2021) [\[CPR\(2021\)41-DEC-FIN\]](#)
4. Preparation of the 42nd Session of the Chamber of Regions
(Strasbourg, 23 March 2022) [\[CG\(2022\)42-OJ\]](#)
5. Discussion of the future work programme of the Chamber [\[CPR/BUR\(2021\)31-FWP\]](#)
6. Past and future events
 - 6.1 7 October 2021 (Strasbourg) – Signing of the Co-operation agreement between the Association of European Border Regions (AEBR) and the Mission Opérationnelle Transfrontalière (MOT), France
 - 6.2 8 October 2021 (Strasbourg) – Meetings of the North-South Centre (NSC) Bureau and of the Jury of the North-South Prize
 - 6.3 13-15 October 2021 (remote) – 49th General Assembly of the Conference of Peripheral and Maritime Regions (CPMR)
 - 6.4 20-22 October 2021 (Arnhem, Gelderland, the Netherlands) - AEBR General Assembly/50th anniversary and Annual Conference “Mirror to the Future”
 - 6.5 28-29 October 2021 (Strasbourg) –General Assembly of the Assembly of European Regions (AER) and Conference on “Agenda 2030: Transforming Regions, Changing the World”
 - 6.6 19 November 2021 (Strasbourg) – Meeting of the NSC Executive Committee
 - 6.7 26 November 2021 (Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Canary Islands, Spain) – Plenary Assembly of the Conference of Regional Legislative Assemblies of Europe (CALRE)
7. Other business
8. Date and place of the next meeting
11 February 2022, Strasbourg
9. Adoption of the abridged report [\[CPR-BUR\(2021\)31-DEC\]](#)
10. Closing of the meeting by the President of the Chamber.