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**INFORMATION BY THE CHAIR AND  
BUREAU MEMBERS ON RECENT ACTIVITIES**

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In his capacity as Chair, in 2019 Mr Peter Andre represented the CDDG in a wide range of events relevant to the terms of reference of the Committee. Some events were organised by Council of Europe bodies while others were organised by Council of Europe partner organisations. This is the complete list:

- [Meeting](#) of the Rapporteur Group on Democracy (GR-DEM) of the Committee of Ministers (31 January 2019, Strasbourg)
- [36<sup>th</sup>](#) Session of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe (2-4 April 2019, Strasbourg)
- Workshop on *Participation in democratic decision-making*, organised by the INGO Conference in Strasbourg (8-12 April 2019)
- Peer review on [Supervision and internal audit of local governments in Slovak Republic](#) (3-6 June 2019, Bratislava), organised by the Centre of Expertise for Good Governance
- Conference on [Smart Cities: Democratic and Inclusive Cities](#), organised by the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe (14 June 2019, Várpalota, Hungary)
- Round Table on [Artificial Intelligence and the Future of Democracy](#), organised by Directorate General of Democracy (20 September, Strasbourg)
- Commemorative Ceremony, [70th Anniversary of the Council of Europe](#) (1 October 2019, Strasbourg)
- Conference on [Civil Service: current state and prospects of development](#), organised by the [Academy of Public Administration under the President of the Republic of Belarus](#), the Council of Europe and the [Astana Civil Service Hub](#) (22-23 October, Minsk, Republic of Belarus)
- Conference on [The Twelve Principles of Good Democratic Governance](#), organised by the Centre of Expertise for Good Governance, in the framework of the French Presidency of the Committee of Ministers (28 October 2019, Strasbourg)
- [37<sup>th</sup>](#) Session of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe (29-31 October 2019, Strasbourg)
- [First meeting](#) of the Ad Hoc Committee on Artificial Intelligence (CAHAI) (18-20 November 2019, Strasbourg)

Mr Francesco Giustino, Vice-Chair of the CDDG, participated in the Conference [Joint workshop on Family as a hub for social policies](#) (9-11 October, Rome), organised by the European Social Cohesion Platform of the Council of Europe.

Ms Monika Filipová, member of the CDDG Bureau, took part in the Conference on *Civil Service: current state and prospects of development* (22-23 October, Minsk, Belarus) and the Conference on *The Twelve Principles of Good Democratic Governance* (28 October 2019, Strasbourg). She also chaired the [Programme Board meeting](#) for the Centre of Expertise project [Delivering Good Governance in Slovak Republic](#) (12 September 2019, Bratislava) and will participate in a peer review in Lithuania (3-6 December 2019), in the context of the project [Delivering Good Governance in Lithuania](#).

Mr Paul Rowsell, member of the CDDG Bureau, participated in the peer review on [Supervision and internal audit of local governments in Slovak Republic](#) organised by the Centre of Expertise for Good Governance (3-6 June 2019, Bratislava) and will participate in a peer review in Lithuania (3-6 December 2019), in the context of the project [Delivering Good Governance in Lithuania](#).