

The Bureau of the Congress

CG-BUR(2026)72-OJ¹

18.06.2026

AGENDA

Meeting of the Congress Bureau

**Venue: Monte-Carlo Bay Hotel & Resort, 40, Avenue Princesse Grace,
MC 98000 MONACO
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Thursday 18 June 2026

9.00-9.30	Registration of participants and welcome coffee; Family photo
9.30-10.30	Opening of the meeting and exchange of views with representatives of the national and local authorities of Monaco
10.30-13.00	Congress Bureau (in camera)
13.00-14.30	Lunch break
14.30-17.30	Congress Bureau (in camera)

Simultaneous interpretation in English, French, German and Italian.

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The items are proposed for information (**Info.**) or for decision (**Dec.**) and those **without debate** are highlighted for easy identification.

Members	With voting rights: - President of the Congress - Presidents and vice-presidents of the chambers
Participants	In an advisory capacity: - Committee chairs - Presidents of political groups - Outgoing President

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1.	Opening of the meeting		
	Opening addresses by:		
	- Georges Marsan, Mayor of Monaco		
	- Gunn Marit Helgesen, President of the Congress		
2.	Exchange of views with representatives of the national and local authorities of Monaco		<i>Info.</i>
	- Lionel Beffre, Minister of Interior		
	- Georges Marsan, Mayor of Monaco		
	- Marjorie Crovetto, 2nd Deputy Mayor of Monaco		
3.	[10:30] Adoption of the agenda	CG-BUR(2026)72-OJ CG-BUR(2026)71-DEC	<i>Dec.</i> <i>Info.</i>
4.	Communication by the President of the Congress		
	Missions and meetings of the President of the Congress	CG-BUR(2026)72-33	<i>Info.</i>
5.	Communication by the Secretary General of the Congress		
	Missions and meetings of the Secretary General of the Congress	CG-BUR(2026)72-34	<i>Info.</i>
6.	Russian Federation's war of aggression against Ukraine		.
	Recent developments		<i>Info.</i>
7.	New Democratic Pact for Europe		
7.1	2026 Report of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe	link	<i>Info.</i>
7.2	Update on Congress activities as a contribution to the New Democratic Pact	CG-BUR(2026)72-44	<i>Info.</i>
7.3	Forthcoming events	World Forum for Democracy 2026 2-4 Nov	<i>Info.</i>
8.	Congress Priorities 2026-2031		
	Rapporteurs:		<i>Info.</i>
	Konstantinos KOUKAS, Greece (L, EPP/CCE)		
	Cecilia DALMAN EEK, Sweden (R, SOC/G/PD)		

9. National delegations

Rapporteurs:
 Andrew BOFF, United Kingdom (R, ECR)
 Mélanie LEPOULTIER, France (L, ILDG)

Changes in the composition of national delegations [CG-BUR\(2026\)72-36](#) *Dec.*

10. Gender equality in the Congress [CG-BUR\(2026\)72-37](#) *Dec.*

11. Budget of the Congress *Info.*

12. 51st Session of the Congress, 27-29 October 2026

12.1 Schedule of meetings [CG\(2026\)51-01](#) *Info.*

12.2 Approval of the preliminary draft agenda **18.06** [CG\(2026\)51-OJrev](#) *Dec.*

12.3 Speaking arrangements for plenary and chamber debates [CG-BUR\(2026\)72-38](#) *Dec.*

13. Activities of the Committees

13.1 Approval of terms of reference for committee activities **15.06** [CG-BUR\(2026\)72-47](#) *Dec.*

13.2 Workplans [Invitation letter](#) *Dec.*
[Letter from the Greek delegation to the Congress](#) *Dec.*
[Workplan MON](#) *Info.*
[Workplan GOV](#) *Info.*
[Workplan SOC](#) *Info.*

14. Local and regional elections [link](#) *Info.*

15. Co-operation activities of the Congress in member States and neighbouring regions *Info.*

16. Local and regional democracy *Info.*

16.1 Georgia

16.2 Türkiye Confidential
CG-MON(2026)23prov *Info.*

16.3 Democratic forces of Belarus

17. Russian democratic forces in exile [CG-BUR\(2026\)72-46](#) *Dec.*
[Resolution 2621 \(2025\)](#) *Info.*

18.	Bureau rapporteurs, thematic spokespersons and Congress representatives in external bodies		
18.1	Missions, meetings and statements of the Standing Rapporteurs on human rights	CG-BUR(2026)72-45	<i>Info.</i>
18.2	Appointments to vacant functions	18.06 CG-BUR(2026)72-40rev	<i>Dec.</i>
19.	European Local Democracy Action (ELDA)	CG-BUR(2026)72-39	<i>Info.</i>
20.	ELoGE (European Label of Governance Excellence)		<i>Info.</i>
21.	Parliamentary Assembly	Communication from the President of the CM	<i>Info.</i>
22.	Intergovernmental sector		
22.1	CDDEM – oral report of 5th plenary meeting (8-10 June 2026, Strasbourg / hybrid)		<i>Info.</i>
22.2	Priorities of the Monegasque Presidency of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe (15 May 2026 – 10 November 2026)	CM/Inf(2026)16	<i>Info.</i>
23.	Congress sessions and Bureau meetings		
23.1	Calendar of sessions and Bureau meetings in 2026	CG-BUR(2026)72-41	<i>Info.</i>
23.2	Congress meetings in 2026	CG-BUR(2026)72-42	<i>Info.</i>
23.3	Calendar of sessions and Bureau meetings in 2027	CG-BUR(2026)72-43	<i>Info.</i>
24.	Other business		<i>Info.</i>
25.	Adoption of the abridged report of the meeting	CG-BUR(2026)72-DEC	<i>Dec.</i>

Close of the meeting

Dates and places of next meetings:

- **Strasbourg, Friday 11 September 2026**
- **Strasbourg, Monday 26 and Thursday 29 October 2026**
- **Strasbourg, Tuesday 8 December 2026**

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