

## **CINGO Committee Report – common format**

**Committee name: Environmental and Health Crisis Committee**

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*To encourage members to read all the committee reports and to share information effectively, please keep your free text sections short and focused on priorities activities and actions.*

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**2. Which INGOs are represented on the committee?**

**Delegates :**

EAT (European Association of teachers)

ELISAN (Réseau européen pour l'Inclusion et l'Action sociale)

IFHP (International Federation for Housing and Planning)

IAF (International Allotment Federation)

ISOCARP (International Society of City and Regional Planners)

PCICPM ( International Catholic Peace Movement)

RENATE (Religious in Europe networking against trafficking and exploitation)

**Participants in one of the meetings or events organised during the last months:**

AEC (European association of Railwaymen)

AFDU (association des femmes diplômées des universités)

AIRHH (Association Internationale de la Recherche en Hygiène Hospitalière)°

ANDANTE (Women's organisation)

EAT (European association of Teachers)

EASPS (European association of Training Centers for Socio-Educational Care Work)

ATD Fourth World

AVE (Association for Voluntary Action in Europe)

EEB ( European Environment Bureau)

ECICW (European Center of the International Council of Women)

ECWF (European council of WIZO federations)

ELISAN (Social action network))

ESAN (European Social Action Network)

Eurogeo (European association of Geographers)

IFHP (International Federation for Housing and Planning)

IAF (International Allotment Federation)

IRSE (The Robert Schuman Institute for Europe)

ISOCARP (International Society of City and Regional Planners)  
MIAMSI (Mouvement international d'Apostolat en milieux sociaux indépendants)  
PCICPM (International Catholic Peace Movement)  
Pax Romana  
RED (International Association Rurality, Environment, Development))  
RENATE  
IUEGS  
UIA (International Union of Architects)  
Et une vingtaine d'ONG nationales issues des Etats membres du Conseil de l'Europe

**3. Which Council of Europe committees and other activities is this committee mainly involved in? Please provide a list and a brief description of how your committee is involved.**

The Environmental and Health Crisis Committee participated in the work of two steering committees: CDCPP and DH-Bio, via on the one hand the presence of observer members in respect of their NGOs, on the other hand the participation of the heads of these steering committees in the work of the committee .

The chair of the Environmental and Health Crisis committee, AM Chavanon, was invited to speak at the conference organised under the auspices of the Italian presidency on the theme *"Social resilience and Health equity"*

The executive secretary of the CD-Bio is invited to the the present session meeting of the Environmental and Health Crisis committee

**4. How has this committee linked with other CINGO committees in the last year?**

Links were established during work meetings, in particular thanks to the presence of common members. This was the case for the committee in charge of social rights and the committee in charge of migrations. The progress of our work shows the relevance of further links with other committees.

**5. How can new members join the committee (please provide email address for expression of interest)?**

They can do it  
either at [amchavanon@gmail.com](mailto:amchavanon@gmail.com) or [elena.curtopassi@regione.veneto.it](mailto:elena.curtopassi@regione.veneto.it)  
either via the [web page dedicated to the committee](#) on the website of the Conference of INGOs  
either via the committee's own websites:  
<https://environmental-health-crisis.weebly.com/>  
Either through the committee's next twitter and LinkedIn accounts.  
For the moment those of AM Chavanon and Elena Curtopassi are accessible

**6. What else could CINGO Standing Committee and Secretariat do to support the work of the committee and the communications between your committee, other members of CINGO and other parts of CoE?**

**Within CINGO**

Help distribute invitations and reminders of committee meetings and events to all Conference NGOs until D-1.

Alert the heads of the committee to the preparation of the Newsletters so that the work of the committee can be included in them.

Specifically inform the committees about the possibilities of contributing to internal events of the Organisation such as the World Forum for Democracy

Encourage regular exchanges (such as the next networking event)

**Vis-à-vis other Council of Europe bodies**

=>> **Open** the possibility, with the secretariats concerned, of sending a representative of the E&H committee to the meetings of the PACE Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development and of the relevant CLRA committees when a report is related to the activities of the E&H Committee.

The objective is to offer the skills of our high-level experts to these assemblies and in turn to be able to disseminate their work.

=>> **Disseminate** the texts and work of all the committees to all the pillars of the Council of Europe on all themes, without exception. In particular to the Steering Committees, the Congress and PACE committees as well as the competent GRs and the General Secretariat (formal transmission other than the Newsletter).

=>> **Inform** the committee of the monitoring of the transmission to the CM and other bodies of the recommendations adopted by the Conference on the proposal of the Committee. Information on the response provided by the Secretariat General.

=>> Finally, **while bearing in mind that the Conference is not an institutional body** but that civil society is one of the assets that the Council of Europe seeks to develop, **see how the work of the committees can be taken into account in the general framework of the activity of the Council of Europe** (Cf. Recent visit of the SG to the UNGA: no reference was made to the declarations and recommendations adopted on the climate for 14 years by the Conference of INGOs). It could be remembered that these texts have been drawn up within the framework of an activity within the Council of Europe. <https://unfccc-councilofeurope-ingos.weebly.com/> ).

Key topic/activity	Summary of progress/impact in last 6 months	Current key issues	Plans for next 6 months
<p>1 <b>Health crisis: Impact of the SARS-Cov2 pandemic on access to care for the most vulnerable segments of the population</b></p>	<p><b>Awareness-raising actions on inequalities in access to care and contribution to research through European multi-stakeholder networks.</b></p> <p>➤ <b>Contribution to the debate organised by the CD-Bio</b> under the auspices of the Italian Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers on the theme of <i>“the effective exercise of the right to the protection of health during pandemics”</i></p> <p>➤ <b>International networking event “Challenging global health equity, the power of collaboration”</b> in collaboration with the University of Applied Sciences of Rotterdam, the city of Rotterdam, the ENSA network, the Departmental Council of Val de Marne, the University of Applied Sciences Odisee des Flandres, the Ministry for Youth and Children of Flanders Opgroeien, the Veneto Region, the Youth Care Platform and the project</p>	<p>Four overarching questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How to ensure equitable access to health, adapted and respectful of human rights, at all ages of life, to stem and reduce the ageism dramatically made acceptable by the pandemic ?</li> <li>2. How to provide care and support to minors and young adults in distress due to the pandemic ?</li> <li>3. How to develop quality and personalised care through the delivery of integrated health and social services</li> <li>4. How to reorganise health and social services according to the new needs promoting community care ?</li> </ol>	<p>Hearing of experts</p> <p>Adoption of a statement at the next committee meeting to be circulated at the next World Health Forum to be held in Berlin October 16-18, 2022.</p> <p>Alerts during any national and local event during the next semester</p> <p>Follow-up of the work of the committee's experts on the topics mentioned</p> <p>Opening collaboration with the Committees of the Conference of INGOs concerned as well as with the parliamentary rapporteurs engaged on some of these topics</p>

	<p>“Inclusive cities for sustainable families”</p> <p>Creation of an Open Forums page for Committee experts so that they can become <b>whistleblowers on the Committee's website</b></p>		
<p>2 <b>Environmental Crisis and Climate Change</b></p>	<p><b>Council of Europe commitment onSDGs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Commitment, contributions and exchanges on behalf of the Conference of INGOs within the framework of the <b>United Nations Environment Program (UNEP)</b>.</li> <li>➤ Two major events to which the Committee contributed:</li> <li>➤ As <b>Co-host of a high-level hybrid side event</b> during the UNEP Assembly meeting, 1st March 2022 from Nairobi, UNEP Headquarters, on <a href="#"><i><u>"The Crossroads of Sustainability, Climate Change and Health : lessons for the post-covid cities and territories"</u></i></a> in the presence of high-level elected officials and representatives of UN Habitat.</li> <li>➤ <b>Stockholm Earth Summit</b> <i>"A healthy planet for the</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>Focus on</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The “One health” ecosystem approach</li> <li>➤ Compliance with the Paris Agreement and Glasgow Climate Commitments</li> <li>➤ Prevention and adaptation to extreme climatic events, in particular for the most vulnerable groups (notably older persons)</li> </ul>	<p>Hearing of experts</p> <p>Preparation of a <b>contribution</b> from the Committee and the Conference of INGOs <b>to COP 27</b> to be held from 7 to 18 November in Sharm el Sheikh (Egypt)</p> <p><b>Contribution to the HOPE Project</b> (responding to Heat waves in the Older People Ecosystem) - to the creation of a database of good practices, MOOC (Massive online course, recommendations)</p>

	<p><i>prosperity of all</i>" (Stockholm+50) Discussions at the General Assembly (April 2022 session) with advisors on governance, the environment and sustainable development at the UNEP Stakeholders Forum.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Development of a <b>collaboration with the Covenant of Mayors on Energy and Climate</b></li> <li>➤ <b>Contribution to the HOPE Project</b> (responding to Heat waves in the Older People Ecosystem)</li> </ul>		
<p>3 <b>Solidarity and social inclusion</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>Work on building a network</b> of civil society organisations, universities, schools and local authorities to increase social and emotional skills to help young people engage and exercise their rights in the face of the constraints linked to the pandemics</li> <li>➤ <b>Gathering of lessons learned from Covid 19</b>, in the fight against poverty in health and education fields</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The appearance of <b>new forms of poverty</b> and the increase in precariousness in a context of crisis.</li> <li>➤ <b>Aggravation of human exploitation and violence against the most vulnerable ones</b> (children and older persons, women and migrants, particularly unaccompanied foreign minors)</li> <li>➤ Need for <b>Intergenerational solidarity and empowerment of family</b></li> </ul>	<p><i>Proposal for joint work to other committees and working groups (gender, human trafficking, social actions and migrants)</i></p> <p>Hearing of experts</p> <p>Contributions to the <i>"inclusive cities for sustainable families"</i> project and to the Venice declaration for progress in achieving SDG 11</p> <p>Contribution to International meetings (Torun, 11October, Brussels, 25-26 October, Venice 15-16 November) : sharing of experiences within the framework of the Next To You, NAVIGARE and</p>

			INTERLEAVE Projects in which the experts of the committee are involved
4 <b>Risk prevention</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Hearings of experts and policy makers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>Unpreparedness in the face of risk</b>, whatever its nature: health, natural or industrial</li> <li>➤ increased risks from climate change</li> <li>➤ Need for reassessment of risk aggravated by climate change</li> </ul>	<p>Contact and hearing Eur-Opa Major Risks Agreement</p> <p>Evaluation of the possibility of joint/complementary work with PACE, which has a report in preparation on this theme</p>

<p>5</p> <p><b>Governance tools and levers of territorial resilience in the face of the crisis</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Observing best practices in crisis management around the world,</li> <li>➤ Follow-up to the hearing of Ms Magali PLOVIE, President of the French-speaking Parliamentary Assembly of Brussels on "deliberative committees in times of crisis"</li> <li>➤ Indicators of Sustainable Cities (IDSC-BR), tool to promote sustainability and social inclusion in connection with Jorge ABRAHAO, Director General of the Institute of Sustainable Cities of Sao Paulo (Brazil)</li> <li>➤ Work on circular economy and management of sanitary waste</li> </ul>	<p><b>New economic, environmental and social needs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Risk prevention and management</li> <li>➤ Adaptation of public policies</li> <li>➤ Encouragement to changing individual behaviours</li> </ul>	<p>Hearing of experts</p> <p>Search for Common Objectives with the CDDG</p> <p>capitalization of the sharing of experience and good practices collected</p> <p>Collaboration with the International Observatory of Participatory Democracy</p>
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**Is there anything else you would like to share with CINGO members and the CINGO Standing Committee?**