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26 March 2025 – 9.00-12.30

48th Congress Session
Session of the Chamber of Regions, 26 March 2025
Strasbourg, Room 1, 9:00-12:30

Draft Abridged report – List of items discussed and decisions taken

1. The President of the Chamber of Regions, Ms Cecilia DALMAN EEK opened the sitting of the Chamber. The list of participants appears in Appendix 1.
2. The Chamber adopted the Agenda of the Chamber session as set out in CG(2025)48-OJ.
3. The Chamber held elections of the 7th Vice-President of the Chamber.
4. The Chamber heard the statement of the President as set out in CPR(2025)48-01.
5. The Chamber heard the statements of Oleksii Riabykin, Deputy Minister of Communities and Territories Development of Ukraine, and Sean Dougherty, Senior Advisor and Head of Secretariat, OECD Network on Fiscal Relations on **“Towards a sound regional financial governance”**. An exchange of views followed the statements.
6. The Chamber heard the statements of André Viola, President of CEPLI (European Confederation of Local Intermediate Authorities), Councillor of the Aude Provincial Council, France; Tetiana Yehorova-Lutsenko, President of the Ukrainian Association of District and Regional Councils; Chair of Kharkiv Regional Council, Ukraine, and Yelyzaveta Kaidash, Congress Youth Delegate from Ukraine on **“The role of sub-regional authorities in countries with three levels of sub-national self-government”**. An exchange of views followed the statements.
7. The Chamber heard the statements of Marta Kos, EU Commissioner for Enlargement (via a video message); Vitalii Bezghin, Member of the Parliament of Ukraine, Chair of the Parliamentary Subcommittee on Administrative and Territorial Organisation and Local Self-government of the Parliamentary Committee on Organisation of State Power, Local Self-Government, Regional Development and Urban Planning; Albert Castellanos Maduell, President of the Assembly of European Regions (AER), and Dušan Raičević, President of the Network of Associations of Local Authorities of South East Europe (NALAS) on **“The role of regions in the process of accession and post-accession to the EU”**. An exchange of views followed the statements.
8. The Chamber heard the Conclusions of the President of the Chamber of Regions as described in [CPR(2025)48-03] .
9. The Chamber adopted the present Abridged Report of the sitting.
10. The President informed that the next Chamber sitting will take place on 29 October 2025 during the 49th Session of the Congress. The President of the Chamber closed the sitting.

Appendix 1

List of Participants

ABASHIDZE Zurab	GEORGIA / GÉORGIE
ALDOZO Tamas	HUNGARY / HONGRIE
ALYAPRAK Emrah replacing/remplaçant	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
ALTUNTAS Umit	
ARRUABARRENA AZPITARTE Mikel	SPAIN / ESPAGNE
BAATZSCH Brian	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
BAILEY Rachel	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
BEI Vitalii	UKRAINE / UKRAINE
BENTLEY Kevin	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
BERGMANN Gunther	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
BOFF Andrew	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
BOHATYRCHUK KRYVKO Svitlana	UKRAINE / UKRAINE
BROWN Keith	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
BUYUKAKIN Tahir	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
CARMONA SANCHEZ Jose Ramon	SPAIN / ESPAGNE
replacing/remplaçant PAZOS COUNAGO Alberto	
CARPELAN Christa	FINLAND / FINLANDE
CEBAN Ion	REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA / RÉPUBLIQUE DE MOLDOVA
COTTON John	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
DALMAN EEK Cecilia	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
DEBEVE Christian	FRANCE / FRANCE
DEDETAS Sinem	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
DEMOLLIN-SCHNEIDERS Elianne	NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS
DICKSON Stewart	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
DODD Richard replacing/remplaçant THORNTON Peter	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
DORN Angela	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
DRENTH Peter	NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS
ERAY David	SWITZERLAND / SUISSE
FILO Sotiraq	ALBANIA / ALBANIE
FOLKERTS Eke	NETHERLANDS / PAYS-BAS
FRINTSKO Iurii replacing/remplaçant KLIUCHKA Yurii	UKRAINE / UKRAINE
GARLITO BATALLA Lara	SPAIN / ESPAGNE
GEGUZINSKAS Gintautas	LITHUANIA / LITUANIE
GIHLEMOEN Truls	NORWAY / NORVÈGE
GRIGOLIA Otar	GEORGIA / GÉORGIE
GUNES Baran	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
HATVA Teuvo	FINLAND / FINLANDE
HELGESEN Gunn Marit	NORWAY / NORVÈGE
INAY KINAY Emine Helil	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
JANETT Urs	SWITZERLAND / SUISSE
JANKOWIAK Wojciech	POLAND / POLOGNE
JONES Laura Anne	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI

JORGENSEN Dennis Alex	DENMARK / DANEMARK
KARACSONY Janos Adam	HUNGARY / HONGRIE
KARIMLI Aida	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
KAYA-KARADAG Sevim	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
KULHANEK Petr	CZECHIA / TCHÉQUIE
LAURO Laura	ITALY / ITALIE
LEDL-ROSSMANN Sonja	AUSTRIA / AUTRICHE
LENDÖ Refik	BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA / BOSNIE-HERZÉGOVINE
LUKASHUK Mykola	UKRAINE / UKRAINE
MAGYAR Anna	HUNGARY / HONGRIE
MEMAJ Juliana	ALBANIA / ALBANIE
METTENLEITER Bernd replacing/remplaçant	GERMANY / ALLEMAGNE
GUNDLACK Tilo	
MISKINIENE Ausma	LITHUANIA / LITUANIE
MONDORF Randi	DENMARK / DANEMARK
OZDEMIR Emrah	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
PAPINNIEMI Markku replacing/remplaçant KALEVA Atte	FINLAND / FINLANDE
PARTYKA Katrien replacing/remplaçant VANLOUWE Karl	BELGIUM / BELGIQUE
PEHLIVAN Gunes	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
REHMAN Nazia	UNITED KINGDOM / ROYAUME-UNI
RIVA VERCELLOTTI Carlo replacing/remplaçant MONTALTI Lia	ITALY / ITALIE
ROHR Reinhart	AUSTRIA / AUTRICHE
SCHWARTZOVA Zuzana	SLOVAK REPUBLIC / RÉPUBLIQUE SLOVAQUE
SONDEREGGER Harald	AUSTRIA / AUTRICHE
SPANOS Fanis	GREECE / GRÈCE
STOJANOVIC Igor replacing/remplaçant BRADARA Lidija	BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA / BOSNIE-HERZÉGOVINE
SULTANA Stephen	MALTA / MALTE
TALVISTE Irina	ESTONIA / ESTONIE
TARNAVSKI Alexandr replacing/remplaçant OMBUN Mariana	REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA / RÉPUBLIQUE DE MOLDOVA
THOMASSON Karin	SWEDEN / SUÈDE
TKEMALADZE George replacing/remplaçant KALADZE Kakha	GEORGIA / GÉORGIE
UNLUCE Ayse	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
UZUN MADENKUYU Kader replacing/remplaçant ZEYDAN Abdullah	TÜRKIYE / TÜRKIYE
Partners for Local Democracy / Partenaires pour la démocratie locale	
BOUAIDA Mbarka	MOROCCO / MAROC
EL ABDI Rachid	MOROCCO / MAROC

Congress Youth Delegates:

Yelyzaveta KAIDASH, Ukraine

Other participants:

Oleksii RIABYKIN, Deputy Minister of Communities and Territories Development of Ukraine
 Sean DOUGHERTY, Senior Advisor and Head of Secretariat, OECD Network on Fiscal Relations

André VIOLA, President of CEPLI, Councillor of the Aude Provincial Council, France
Tetiana YEHOVA-LUTSENKO, President of the Ukrainian Association of District and Regional Councils; Chair of Kharkiv Regional Council, Ukraine
Vitalii BEZGHIN, Member of the Parliament of Ukraine, Chair of the Parliamentary Subcommittee on Administrative and Territorial Organisation and Local Self-government of the Parliamentary Committee on Organisation of State Power, Local Self-Government, Regional Development and Urban Planning
Albert CASTELLANOS MADUELL, President of AER
Dušan RAIČEVIĆ, President of NALAS

Secretariat:

Daniel POPESCU, Executive Secretary of the Chamber of Regions
Irina SAHAKYAN-VETTER, Deputy Executive Secretary of the Chamber of Regions
Nelli BAGHDASARYAN, Assistant to the Chamber of Regions

Appendix 2 – Agenda

Opening of the session of the Chamber by President Cecilia DALMAN EEK, Sweden (SOC/G/D)

1. Adoption of the agenda of the Chamber [\[CG\(2025\)48-OJ\]](#)
 2. Election of the 7th Vice- President of the Chamber of Regions [deadline for candidatures: 7.00 Wednesday 26 March 2025]
Presentation of the candidate(s) (3 minutes each)
Vote using the KUDO Platform; Result of the election
 3. Communication of the President of the Chamber [\[CPR\(2025\)48-01\]](#)
 4. **Towards a sound regional financial governance** [\[CPR\(2025\)48-02\]](#)
Statements by:
 - Oleksii Riabykin, Deputy Minister of Communities and Territories Development of Ukraine
 - Sean Dougherty, Senior Advisor and Head of Secretariat, OECD Network on Fiscal Relations
 Exchange of views
 5. **The role of sub-regional authorities in countries with three levels of sub-national self-government** [\[CPR\(2025\)48-02\]](#)
Statements by:
 - André Viola, President of CEPLI (European Confederation of Local Intermediate Authorities), Councillor of the Aude Provincial Council, France
 - Tetiana Yehorova-Lutsenko, President of the Ukrainian Association of District and Regional Councils; Chair of Kharkiv Regional Council, Ukraine
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 Exchange of views
 6. **The role of regions in the process of accession and post-accession to the EU** [\[CPR\(2025\)48-02\]](#)
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 - Marta Kos, EU Commissioner for Enlargement (video message)
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 - Albert Castellanos Maduell, President of AER
 - Dušan Raičević, President of NALAS
 Exchange of views
 7. Presentation of the Conclusions of the Chamber Session [\[CPR\(2025\)48-03\]](#)
 8. Adoption of the Abridged report of the session [\[CPR\(2025\)48-DEC\]](#)
- Close of the session of the Chamber by the President