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# Democracy, Social Cohesion and Global Challenges Committee

#### Transversal Working Group: Social and Territorial cohesion

### Theme: social and territorial cohesion at local, national and European level

#### Internal objectives

- 1. contributing to the Council of Europe's priority actions, to the implementation of the 2018-2021 action plan of the Conference of INGOS and the 2018-2021 roadmap of the Democracy, Social Cohesion and Global Challenges Committee
- 2. addressing the aspects of social and territorial cohesion in line with the three thematic committees of the Conference of INGOS: human rights, education and culture, democracy, social cohesion and global challenges
- 3. establishing a partnership strategy with the thematic committees, their working groups and the various bodies of the Council of Europe

### **Overall objectives**

To develop legislation and regulations within the member States and to promote virtuous practices in favour of persons and territories in the context of sustainable, social and fair concerns with a view to

- reducing social and territorial fractures
- promoting conflict resolution at the local level helping to cross political and social boundaries
- broadening the consideration of human rights in the treatment of risks, including climate risks

# Envisaged Actions (Declaration, Resolution, Report, Field action)

2017-2020: work in liaison with other council of Europe bodies and with international and intergovernmental partner institutions and organisations (UN and its bodies, EU, etc.), production and dissemination of texts, dissemination of exemplary actions involving civil society

2018: contribution to the work of COP24, with the elaboration of a recommendation text, lobbying actions in favour of the consideration of human rights and participation as an observer at the summit of Katowice (Poland)

2019: identification of priority challenges at different territorial scales and search for answers

2020: production of cohesive tools for public authorities and civil society

### **Expected Results**

- Taking our objectives into account in the work of the three committees and proposing action or texts to the Conference of INGOs
- Awareness-raising of other internal and external bodies
- Contribution to the research work of the member states in the field of cohesion

### Working languages: French and English

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