



## FLORENCE CONVENTION

25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Council of  
Europe Landscape Convention

28 October 2025

Florence, Italy

*Villa Medicea "La Petraia"*

## Ministerial Conference

### PROGRAMME

REF : T-FC (2025) CONF 1 E



**Tuesday, 28 October**

*Location: Villa La Petraia*

**09:20 - 09:50** | Arrival and registration of participants

**09:50 – 10:00** | Family Photo for Heads of delegation

*The Conference will be moderated by **Mr Rafael BENITEZ**, Director of Social Rights, Health and Environment, Council of Europe*

**10:00 – 10:30** | **Opening session**

- **Mr Alessandro GIULI**, Minister of Culture of Italy
- **Mr Bjørn BERGE**, Deputy Secretary General, Council of Europe
- **Mr Gilberto PICHETTO FRATIN**, Minister of the Environment and Energy Security of Italy
- **Ms Aurora FLORIDIA**, Senator of the Italian Republic, Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
- **Mr Marc COOLS**, President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, Council of Europe (*pre-recorded statement*)

**10:30 - 11:45** | **25 Years of Achievements of the Florence Convention**

*Building on the Reykjavík Declaration adopted by the Heads of State and Government of the Council of Europe, this session will address ways and means of strengthening landscape action in response to the triple planetary crisis of pollution, climate change and biodiversity loss.*

- **Ms Marta RODRIGUES**, Chair of the 13<sup>th</sup> Conference on the Implementation of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention

*Ministers will engage and exchange ideas on the milestones, achievements and impact of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention, including at the national level (Each intervention of the Ministers must be limited to 5 minutes, for other officials to 3 minutes)*

**11:45 - 12:00** | Coffee Break

**12:00 - 13:30** | **Future of the Florence Convention**

*Building on the conclusions of the previous session, in this session the Ministers will explore solutions, innovative approaches and the role of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention in light of the Reykjavík Declaration (Each intervention by the Ministers must be limited to 5 minutes, for other officials to 3 minutes)*

- **Mr Gianluca SILVESTRINI**, Head *a.i.* of the Reykjavík Process and the Environment Department, Council of Europe

**13:30 – 13:45** | **Ceremony of Presentation of the European Diploma for Protected Areas**

**13:45 – 14:00** | Adoption of the declaration and the closing remarks

- **Mr Bjørn BERGE**, Deputy Secretary General, Council of Europe
- **Mr Alessandro GIULI**, Minister of Culture of Italy

**14:00 – 15:30** | Official Lunch for Heads of delegation at Villa La Petraia