

Council of Europe – Centre of Expertise for Good Governance

International Conference on The Twelve Principles of Good Governance and the European Label of Governance Excellence

Strasbourg, Palais de l'Europe, Room 3 28 October 2019



PRINCIPLES OF GOOD **DEMOCRAT**

- 1. Participation, Representation, **Fair Conduct of Elections**
- 2. Responsiveness
- 3. Efficiency and Effectiveness
- 4. Openness and Transparency
- 5. Rule of Law
- 6. Ethical Conduct
- 7. Competence and Capacity
- 8. Innovation and Openness to Change
- 9. Sustainability and Long-term **Orientation**
- 10. Sound Financial Management
- 11. Human Rights, Cultural Diversity and Social Cohesion
- 12. Accountability

The Council of Europe's <u>Twelve Principles of Good Democratic Governance</u> encapsulate fundamental values defining a common vision of democratic governance in Europe. The European Label of Governance Excellence (ELoGE) is awarded to local authorities who can demonstrate their respect of the 12 Principles measured against the relevant benchmark.

In 2019, the evaluations according to the 12 principles were conducted in France. This Conference, which is organised under the French Presidency of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe, aims at presenting the results of ELoGE in France, share the experience of the French and European municipalities and promote good governance among all member states. The participants will include representatives of the French municipalities, the French National Centre for Local Civil Service (CNFPT) and other ELoGE-accredited organisations; municipalities and governments of about 20 other member states, the European Committee for Democracy and Governance, the Centre of Expertise for Good Governance, and the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe.

Programme

- 14:30 Doors Open. Registration and Coffee
- 15:00 Towards a Common Vision of Good Governance in Europe. Opening and Welcome:

Chair: Mr Peter Andre, Chair of the European Committee for Democracy and Governance, Chair of the European Stakeholder's Platform for Good Governance

Mr Jean-Baptiste Mattei, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of France at the Council of Europe, Chairman of the Ministers' Deputies

Ms Claudia Luciani, *Director of Human Dignity, Equality and Governance, Council of Europe* Mr Franck Perinet, *Deputy Director General of CNFPT (French National Centre for Local Civil Service), Director of INET (National Institute for Territorial Studies),*

Mr Luís Leite Ramos, *Member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe* Dr. Gerhard Ermischer, *Vice-President, Conference of INGOs of the Council of Europe*

15:30 **Panel 1**

European Label of Governance Excellence: the French experience. Exchange of views with representatives of municipalities of France: Metz, Sceaux, Strasbourg, Suresnes. Moderator: CNFPT

16:30 **Panel 2**

European Label of Governance Excellence: European perspective and exchange of views with representatives of: Bulgaria, Greece, Poland, Spain, Malta, The Federation of European Union Local Authority Chief Executive Officers (UDITE), Structural Reform Support Service of the European Commission (SRSS). Moderator: Centre of Expertise for Good Governance

17:45 Promoting Good Governance for the Regions

Ms Irén Lejegren, Örebro Region, Sweden, Assembly of European Regions

18:00 Promoting the 12 Principles of Good Democratic Governance Online

Presentation by Mr Daniele Del Bianco, Expert of the Centre of Expertise for Good Governance

- 18:20 **Conclusions**: Ms Snežana Samardžić-Marković, *Director General of Democracy, Council of Europe,* Mr Peter Andre, *Chair of the European Stakeholders' Platform*
- 18.30 **ELoGE Award Ceremony** to the French municipalities
- 19.00 **Reception** hosted by the French Presidency of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe (Restaurant Bleu)