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| **Tuesday 23 March 2021**  9.30-12.00 | |
| **Plenary sitting** [EN/FR/DE/IT/RU/TK]  *\* Deadline for tabling amendments: 10.00 Tuesday 16 March* | |
| **9.30** | **Opening of the 40th Session of the Congress** by the oldest Congress representative |
| **9.35** | **Verification of new members’ credentials** [CG(2021)40-12] [CG(2021)40-13]  Presentation by the co-rapporteurs: Harald SONDEREGGER, Austria (R, EPP/CCE), and  Barbara TOCE, Italy (L, SOC/G/PD)  Debate and voteon the draft resolution [CG(2021)40-02]\* |
| **9.45** | **Election of the President of the Congress [deadline for candidatures: 9.30 Monday 22 March 2021]**  Presentation of the candidates (3 minutes each)  Vote using the KUDO Platform  Results of the election |
| **10.10** | **Statement by the newly elected President of the Congress** |
| **10.30** | Adoption of the draft agenda of the first part-session [CG(2021)40-OJ-01]  Adoption of the draft minutes of the last sitting of the 37th Session (31 October 2019) [CG37(2019)PV03]  **Adoption of the composition of Congress committees**  [CG(2021)40-03] |
| **10.35** | **Congress presidency 2018-2021: Statement by the outgoing President Anders KNAPE**  Debate |
| **11.10** | **Congress priorities for 2021-2026**  Presentation by the co-rapporteurs: Gunn Marit HELGESEN, Norway (R, EPP/CCE), and  Xavier CADORET, France (L SOC/G/PD)  Debate and vote on the draft resolution [CG(2021)40-05]\* |
| **12.00** | **Close of the sitting** |

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| **Tuesday 23 March 2021** | |
| **Chamber of Local Authorities** 14.00-15.00[EN/FR/DE/IT/RU/TK] | |
| **14.00** | **Opening of the chamber session**  by the oldest representative sitting in that chamber |
| **14.05** | **Election of the President of the Chamber of Local Authorities**  **[deadline for candidatures: 12.00 Tuesday 23 March 2021]**  Presentation of the candidate(s) (3 minutes each)  Vote using the KUDO Platform  Result of the election |
| **14.20** | **Statement by the newly-elected President of the Chamber** |
| **14.25** | **Adoption of the draft agenda of the chamber**  [CPL(2021)40-OJ-01] |
| **14.30** | **Statement by the outgoing President of the Chamber of Local Authorities: Xavier CADORET**  Exchange of views |
| **14.40** | **Election of the 7 vice-presidents of the chamber**  **[deadline for candidatures: 12.00 Tuesday 23 March 2021]**  Presentation of the candidate(s) (3 minutes each) |
| **15.00** | **Close of the session of the Chamber by the President** |
| **16.30-18.30** | Vote for the 7 vice-presidents of the chamber using the electronic voting system Scytl |
| **Chamber of Regions** 14.00-15.00[EN/FR/DE/IT/RU/TK] | |
| **14.00** | **Opening of the chamber session**  by the oldest representative, member of the chamber |
| **14.05** | **Election of the President of the Chamber of Regions**  **[deadline for candidatures: 12.00 Tuesday 23 March 2021]**  Presentation of the candidate(s) (3 minutes each)  Vote using the KUDO Platform  Result of the election |
| **14.20** | **Statement by the newly-elected President of the Chamber** |
| **14.25** | **Adoption of the draft agenda of the chamber** [CPR(2021)40-OJ-01] |
| **14.30** | **Statement by the outgoing President of the Chamber of Regions: Gunn Marit HELGESEN** [CPR(2021)40-01]  Exchange of views |
| **14.40** | **Election of the 7 vice-presidents of the chamber**  **[deadline for candidatures: 12.00 Tuesday 23 March 2021]**  Presentation of the candidate(s) (3 minutes each) |
| **15.00** | **Close of sitting by the President of the chamber** |
| **16.30-18.30** | Vote for the 7 vice-presidents of the chamber using the electronic voting system Scytl |

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| **Tuesday 23 March 2021**  **Parallel meetings of the 3 committees**  15.30-16.30 [EN/FR/DE/IT/RU/TK\*]  \**Turkish interpretation available at the Monitoring and Governance Committee meetings only* | |
| **15.30** | **Opening of the committee meeting**  by the oldest representative, member of that committee |
| **15.35** | **Election of the chair of the committee**  **[deadline for candidatures: 18.00 on Monday 22 March 2021]**  Presentation of the candidates  Vote using the KUDO Platform  Results of the election |
| **15.50** | **Election of the 1st vice-chair of the committee**  **[deadline for candidatures: 18.00 on Monday 22 March 2021]**  Presentation of the candidates  Vote using the KUDO Platform  Results of the election |
| **16.10** | **Election of the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th vice-chairs of the committee**  **[deadline for candidatures: 18.00 on Monday 22 March 2021]**  Presentation of the candidates |
| **16.30** | **Close of the meeting by the chair of the committee** |
| **16.30-18.30** | Vote for 4 vice-chairs in the 3 committees using the electronic voting system Scytl |

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| **Wednesday 24 March 2021** | | |
| Bureau meeting [EN/FR/DE/IT/RU] | | |
| 9.30-10.15 | | Bureau of the Congress |
| **Plenary sitting**  10.30-12.00 [EN/FR/DE/IT/RU/TK]  *\* Deadline for tabling amendments: 10.00 Wednesday 17 March* | | |
| **10.30** | **Results of the elections for the posts of vice-presidents of the chambers and vice-chairs of the committees** Communication by the President of the Congress | |
| **10.50** | Budget of the Congress for 2022-2023  Presentation by the co-rapporteurs: Anna MAGYAR, Hungary (R, EPP/CCE), and  Barbara TOCE, Italy (L, SOC/G/PD)  Debate and voteon the draft recommendation [CG(2021)40-06]\* | |
| **11.20** | **Ensuring the respect of the European Charter of Local Self-Government in major crisis situations**  Corapporteurs: Leendert VERBEEK, Netherlands (R, SOC/G/PD and Robert-Csongor GRÜMAN, Romania (R, EPP/CCE)  Presentation by Leendert VERBEEK  Debate and voteon the draft resolution and the draft recommendation [CG(2021)40-07]\* | |
| **12.00** | **Suspension of the sitting** | |
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| **Wednesday 24 March 2021**  **Plenary sitting**  14.00-15.00 [EN/FR/DE/IT/RU/TK] | | |
| **14.00** | **Adoption of the draft minutes of the sitting of the Congress on 23 and 24 March (am) and the sessions of the chambers 23 March 2021** [CG(2021)40-PV-01], [CG(2021)40-PV-02], [CPL(2021)40-PV-01] and [CPR(2021)40-PV-01] | |
| **14.05** | German Presidency of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe  (18 November 2020 – 21 May 2021)  Statement by **Michael ROTH, Minister of State for Europe,** on behalf of the German Presidency of the Committee of Ministers  Oral reply to written questions [CG(2021)40-08]  *Deadline for tabling written questions: 15.00 Wednesday 17 March 2021* | |
| **15.00** | **Close of the first part-session of the 40th Session by the President of the Congress** | |

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| Meetings of the chamber bureaux [EN/FR/DE/IT/RU] | |
| 15.00-15.45 | Bureau of the Chamber of Local Authorities [EN/FR/DE/IT/RU] |
| 15.45-16.30 | Bureau of the Chamber of Regions |