

Strasbourg, 13 June 2024

Dear President-elect,

I am writing to extend my warm congratulations on your election as President of Iceland.

Iceland's strong commitment to the work of the Council of Europe is highly valued. The Fourth Summit of Heads of State and Government of the Council of Europe in Reykjavík on 16-17 May 2023 – organised under the Icelandic Presidency of the Committee of Ministers – was a momentous milestone in the history of our Organisation.

As the Summit clearly showed, our unity around the core values of human rights, democracy and the rule of law remains crucial for our ability to deliver on the unprecedented challenges that Europe faces today and contribute to peace and prosperity in our continent. I look forward to deepening the co-operation between Iceland and the Council of Europe even further to advance the mission of our Organisation.

I wish you every success in your important mandate.

Yours sincerely,

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