

# Committee on the Monitoring of the implementation of the European Charter of Local Self-Government and on the respect of Human Rights and the Rule of Law at local and regional levels (Monitoring Committee)

CG-MON(2026)03-OJprov

## DRAFT AGENDA

(updated on 24 June 2026)

30 June 2026 from 9:00 to 12:30 and from 14:00 to 17:30

Oslo, Norway

*Interpretation in English, French, German, Italian*

*Additional language available: Turkish*

### 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

**The Chair of the Committee will open the meeting.**

Participants will be welcomed by the host authorities:

- Ms Gunn Marit HELGESEN, President of the Norwegian Association of Local and Regional Authorities (KS) and President of the Congress
- Ms Anne LINDBOE, Mayor of Oslo

### 2. AGENDA

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Adoption of the draft agenda

### 3. ELECTION OF THE 5th VICE CHAIR

### 4. COMMUNICATIONS BY THE CHAIR AND BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE CONGRESS

### 5. OSLO DECLARATION

Presented by Gunn Marit HELGESEN, President of the Congress  
[Declaration]

### 6. LOCAL AND REGIONAL DEMOCRACY IN EUROPE

#### 6.1 Monitoring reports for adoption

#### **Monitoring of the application of the European Charter of Local Self-Government in Albania**

(visit on 17-19 November 2025)

Rapporteurs: Anders KNAPE, Sweden (L, EPP/CCE) and Sören SCHUMACHER, Germany (R, SOC/G/PD)

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#### **Monitoring of the application of the European Charter of Local Self-Government in Switzerland**

(visit on 18-20 November 2025)

Rapporteurs: Jani KOKKO, Finland (L, SOC/G/PD) and Katrien PARTYKA, Belgium (R, EPP/CCE)

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[Debate] [Vote REP RES REC]	<p><b>6.2 Transversal thematic reports</b></p> <p><b>Risk-alert dashboard on local and regional democracy</b> Rapporteurs: Kristoffer TAMSONS, Sweden (R, EPP/CCE) and Kirstine BILLE, Denmark (L, SOC/G/PD) [CG/MON(2026)-16prov]</p>
[Info]	<p><b>6.3 Post-Monitoring in progress</b></p> <p><b>Post-Monitoring of the application of the European Charter of Local Self-Government in Ireland</b> Rapporteurs: Gunn Marit HELGESEN, Norway (R, EPP/CCE) and Matthias GYSIN, Switzerland (L, ILDG)</p>
[Info]	<p><b>Post-Monitoring of the application of the European Charter of Local Self-Government in Montenegro</b> Rapporteurs: Cecilia Felicitasz FRIDERICS, Hungary (L, PfiE) and Soeren SCHUMACHER, Germany (R, SOC/G/PD)</p>
<p><b>7. COMPLIANCE WITH THE EUROPEAN CHARTER OF LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT BY MEMBER STATES</b></p>	
[Exchange of views] [Decision]	<p><b>Situation of local democracy in Romania</b> [Letters from the Association of Communes of Romania (ACOR) and the National Trade Union of Employees of Communes and Towns of Romania (SCOR)]</p>
[Exchange of views] [Decision]	<p><b>Situation of local democracy in the Republic of Moldova</b> [Letter from the Congress of Local Authorities from Moldova (CALM)]</p>
[Exchange of views] [Decision]	<p><b>Situation of local democracy in Hungary</b> [Written communication from Anna Magyar, member of the Hungarian delegation]</p>
<p><b>8. LOCAL AND REGIONAL ELECTIONS OBSERVATION</b></p>	
<p><b>8.1 Reports for adoption</b></p>	
[Debate] [Vote REP REC]	<p><b>Early (and repeat) elections for the President of Republika Srpska (Bosnia and Herzegovina - 23 November 2025 and 8 February 2026)</b> Rapporteur: James MOLONEY, Ireland (L, ILDG) [CG/MON(2026)-17prov]</p>
[Debate] [Vote REP REC]	<p><b>Local Elections in the Netherlands (18 March 2026)</b> Rapporteur: Konstantinos KOUKAS, Greece (L, EPP/CCE) [CG/MON(2026)-18prov]</p>
[Debate] [Vote REP REC]	<p><b>Partial Elections in 10 municipalities of Serbia (29 March 2026)</b> Rapporteur: Gobnait NI MHUIMNEACAIN, Ireland (L, ILDG) [CG/MON(2026)-19prov]</p>
[Debate] [Vote REP REC]	<p><b>Local Elections in England and elections for the Scottish and Welsh Parliaments (7 May 2026)</b> Rapporteur: Jani KOKKO, Finland (L, SOC/G/PD) [CG/MON(2026)-20prov]</p>
<p><b>8.2 Transversal thematic reports for adoption</b></p>	
[Debate] [Vote REP RES REC]	<p><b>The status of national and international observers in local and regional elections in the 46 member States</b> Rapporteur: Stewart DICKSON, United Kingdom (R, ILDG) [CG/MON(2026)-21prov]</p>
<p><b>8.3 Compliance with electoral standards: situation in Slovenia</b></p>	
[Exchange]	<p><b>Letter regarding the planned amendments to the Local Elections Act in Slovenia</b></p>

of views] [Decision]	<p>Presented by Stewart DICKSON, United Kingdom (R, ILDG), Congress Representative in the Council for Democratic Elections</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- [Letter from the National Assembly Delegation of Slovenia to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe]</li> <li>- [Letter from the President of the Congress to the President of the European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission)]</li> <li>- [Statement by the President of the Congress]</li> </ul>
[Info]	<p><b>8.4 Co-operation with the Democratic Elections Council and other activities related to local and regional elections</b></p> <p>Presented by Stewart DICKSON, United Kingdom (R, ILDG), Congress Representative in the Council for Democratic Elections</p> <p>[Paris call to action – Joint Debate “Towards Trusted and Inclusive Electoral Processes: The Role of Observers” (Paris, 28-29 April 2026)]</p>
<p><b>9. HIGH-LEVEL VISIT TO TÜRKIYE (9-11 FEBRUARY 2026)</b></p>	
[Debate] [Info]	<p><b>9.1. Information report</b></p> <p>Rapporteurs: Marc COOLS, Belgium (L, ILDG), Bryony RUDKIN, United Kingdom (L, SOC/G/PD) and Gudrun MOSLER-TÖRNSTRÖM, Austria (L, SOC/G/PD)</p> <p>[Report]</p>
[Info] [Exchange of views]	<p><b>9.2. Open letter on the situation of local democracy in Türkiye</b></p> <p>Rapporteur: Bryony RUDKIN, United Kingdom (L, SOC/G/PD)</p> <p>[Letter from European institutions rapporteurs to the Minister of the Interior of Türkiye]</p>
[Debate] [Vote REP RES]	<p><b>9.3. Congress request to intervene as a third party in Application no 37204/25</b></p> <p>Rapporteur: Gudrun MOSLER-TÖRNSTRÖM, Austria (L, SOC/G/PD), Deputy Standing Rapporteur on Human Rights</p> <p>[Report]</p>
[Info] [Exchange of views]	<p><b>10. CURRENT SITUATION IN MUNICIPALITIES AND REGIONS IN UKRAINE</b></p>
<p><b>11. HUMAN RIGHTS AND RULE OF LAW AT LOCAL AND REGIONAL LEVELS</b></p>	
[Exchange of views]	<p><b>Activities on human rights</b></p> <p>Presented by Gudrun MOSLER-TÖRNSTRÖM, Austria (L, SOC/G/PD), Deputy Standing Rapporteur on Human Rights</p> <p>[Information document]</p>
[Info]	<p><b>12. WORK PLAN 2026-2027</b></p> <p>[CG/MON(2026)3-01]</p>
[Info]	<p><b>13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b></p>
[Info]	<p><b>14. DATES AND VENUES OF THE NEXT MEETINGS</b></p> <p>27 October 2026 - Congress 51<sup>st</sup> Session (Strasbourg, France)</p> <p>9 February 2027 - date and place tbc</p> <p>March 2027 - Congress 52<sup>nd</sup> Session (Strasbourg, France)</p> <p>[Meetings of the Monitoring Committee outside of Strasbourg – cost sharing estimation]</p>
[Vote]	<p><b>15. ADOPTION OF THE ABRIDGED REPORT OF THE MEETING</b></p> <p>[CG/MON(2026)3-DECprov]</p>

*Due to time constraints, the items in the box are for information and will be subject to exchange of views at the next meeting, on the occasion of the adoption of these reports.*

## **6. LOCAL AND REGIONAL DEMOCRACY IN EUROPE**

### **6.4 Monitoring reports in progress**

#### **Monitoring of the application of the European Charter of Local Self-Government in Portugal**

(visits on 3-5 March and 5-6 May 2026)

Rapporteurs: Elianne DEMOLLIN-SCHNEIDERS, Netherlands (R, EPP/CCE) and Zana GUMUS, Türkiye (L, SOC/G/PD)  
[Programme]

#### **Monitoring of the application of the European Charter of Local Self-Government in Armenia**

(first part of the visit on 14-15 April 2026 and second part of the visit on 13-15 October 2026)

Rapporteurs: Jonathan DENIS, United Kingdom (L, SOC/G/PD) and Katrien PARTYKA, Belgium (R, EPP/CCE)  
[Programmes]

#### **Monitoring of the application of the European Charter of Local Self-Government in Georgia**

(visit on 23-25 June 2026)

Rapporteurs: Anders KNAPE, Sweden (L, EPP/CCE) and Urs JANETT, Switzerland (R, ILDG)  
[Programme]

## **8. LOCAL AND REGIONAL ELECTIONS OBSERVATION**

### **8.5 Reports in progress**

#### **Local Elections in Iceland (16 May 2026)**

Rapporteurs: Mélanie LEPOULTIER, France (L, ILDG) and Zana GUMUS, Türkiye (L, SOC/G/PD)  
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