



## Round Table on REPRESENTATIVE DEMOCRACY AGAINST CLIMATE CRISIS

Joint contribution of the Parliamentary Assembly and the Congress  
of Local and Regional Authorities to the World Forum for Democracy

**Date and Time: Monday 18 January 2021, 9.30 – noon**

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### Opening Remarks:

- ▶ **Ms Jennifer DE TEMMERMAN**, Chairperson of the PACE Sub-Committee on Public Health and Sustainable Development (France, ALDE)
- ▶ **Ms Gunn MARIT HELGESEN**, Vice-President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities (Norway, EPP/CCE)
- ▶ **Mr Andreas NICK**, Vice-Chairperson of PACE (Germany, EPP/CD)

### Panellists:

- ▶ **Session 1: Elected to save the planet: The role and responsibility of elected representatives in combating climate change**
  - **Moderator: Ms Edite ESTRELA**, PACE Rapporteur on “The climate crisis and the rule of law” (Portugal, SOC)
  - **Ms Jennifer DE TEMMERMAN**, Chairperson of the PACE Sub-Committee on Public Health and Sustainable Development and Rapporteur on “Inaction on climate change – a violation of children’s rights” (France, ALDE)

- **Ms Gunn MARIT HELGESEN**, Vice-President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, Vice-President of the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions (CRPM), Co-President of the Council of European Municipalities and Regions (CEMR), First Vice-President of the Norwegian Association of Local and Regional Authorities (Norway, EPP/CCE)
- **Mr George PAPANDEOU**, PACE Rapporteur on “More participatory democracy to tackle climate change” (Greece, SOC)
- **Mr Magnus BERNTSSON**, President of the Assembly of European Regions, Vice-president of the Regional Council and Regional Minister for the Environment of the Västra Götaland Region (Sweden, EPP/CCE)

► **The World Forum for Democracy’s “Deliberative Democracy for Climate” Campaign**

Presentation by Ms Mary Ann HENNESSEY, Head of the Division for Democratic Innovation of the Council of Europe

► **Session 2: Turning words into deeds: challenges and opportunities of linking global, regional, national and local action**

- **Moderator: Mr Vladimir PREBILIC**, Spokesperson of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities on Climate Change and Environment (Slovenia, SOC/G/PD)
- **Mr Simon MOUTQUIN**, PACE Rapporteur on “Anchoring the right to a healthy environment: need for enhanced action by the Council of Europe” (Belgium, SOC)
- **Mr José Manuel FERNANDES**, member of the European Parliament and Vice-Chair of the Intergroup “Green New Deal” (Portugal, EPP)
- **Ms Belinda GOTTARDI**, member of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, CEMR Spokesperson on Climate, Administrator – Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy – Europe (Italy, SOC/G/PD)
- **Mr Mohamed BOUDRA**, President of Local and City Governments United (CGLU), Mayor of Al Hoceima, President of the Moroccan Association of Local Council Presidents (AMPCC), Deputy Head of the Moroccan Delegation to the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities (Morocco, NR)
- **Ms Sibel ARSLAN**, PACE General Rapporteur on Local and Regional Authorities (Switzerland, SOC)

**Conclusions:**

- **Ms Jennifer DETEMMERMAN**, Chairperson of the PACE Sub-Committee on Public Health and Sustainable Development (France, ALDE)