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## To the members of the Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development

### Synopsis

#### of the meetings held via videoconference on 15 April 2021

The Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development, meeting via videoconference, on Thursday, 15 April 2021, with Mr Luís Leite Ramos (Portugal, EPP/CD), Chairperson, in the Chair, as regards:

- **Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize:** heard a report from Mr Kęstutis Masiulis (Lithuania, EPP/CD), the Sub-Committee Chairperson, on the meetings held via videoconference on 27 January and 15 April 2021 and approved the proposals submitted by the Sub-Committee for the different distinctions of the Europe Prize 2021 (see Appendix);
- **Fighting fiscal injustice: the work of the OECD on taxation of digital economy** (*Rapporteur: Ms Selin Sayek Böke, Turkey, SOC*): considered and unanimously approved a draft opinion, including 8 amendments to the draft resolution;
- **Humanitarian action for refugees and migrants in countries in North Africa and the Middle East** (*Rapporteur: Ms Jennifer De Temmerman, France, ALDE*): considered and unanimously approved a draft opinion, including 7 amendments to the draft resolution;
- **Addressing sexual violence against children: stepping up action and co-operation in Europe** (*Rapporteur: Baroness Doreen E. Massey, United Kingdom, SOC*): welcomed the Committee of Ministers' reply to the Assembly's Recommendation 2175 (2020), and approved a questionnaire to be distributed via the European Centre for Parliamentary Research and Documentation (ECPRD);
- **Committee's work programme and priorities:** having verified the quorum, approved a revised motion for a recommendation on "Preventing addictive behaviours in children", for tabling on behalf of the Committee;
- **Other business:** decided to propose to the Bureau of the Assembly to hold a current affairs debate on "Covid-19 vaccination certificates: how to protect public health and human rights?" during the April part-session 2021, and to request that the Committee be seized for opinion, *a minima*, on the motion for a resolution tabled on "Covid passes or certificates: protection of fundamental rights and legal implications" (Doc. 15257);
- **Date and place of next meetings:**
  - Wednesday, 21 April 2021, 2-3.30 pm, April part-session 2021 of the Assembly, Strasbourg and on the KUDO platform;
  - Thursday, 20 May 2021, KUDO Platform;
  - June part-session 2021 of the Assembly, 21-25 June 2021, Strasbourg;
  - Thursday, 9 September 2021, Paris (Council of Europe Office) (*place to be confirmed*);
  - Autumn part-session 2021 of the Assembly, 27 September-1 October 2021, Strasbourg;
  - Wednesday, 1 December 2021, Paris (Council of Europe Office) (*place to be confirmed*).

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The Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize, meeting via videoconference on Thursday, 15 April 2021, with Mr Kęstutis Masiulis (Lithuania, EPP/CD), Chairperson, in the Chair:

- elected by acclamation Ms Carmen Leyte (Spain, EPP/CD), Vice-Chairperson;
- **Europe Prize 2021:** proposed to award the 2021 Europe Prize to Khmelnytskyi (Ukraine);

- **Plaques of Honour, Flags of Honour and European Diplomas for 2021:** proposed to award these distinctions to 15 towns as shown in the Appendix;
- **Other Business:**
  - **General Assembly and Youth Meeting 2021, Association of Towns Awarded the Europe Prize:** was informed that this event could be organised either in Strasbourg in June 2021 or in Ivano-Frankivsk (Ukraine) in September 2021 (*to be confirmed*);
  - **Presentation ceremony of 2020 and 2021 European Diplomas:** approved the decision to hold this event in Strasbourg during the autumn 2021 part-session of the Assembly (27 September-1 October 2021) (*date to be confirmed*);
- **Date and place of the next meetings:**
  - Presentation ceremony of 2020 and 2021 European Diplomas in Strasbourg during the autumn part-session of the Assembly (27 September-1 October 2021) (*date to be confirmed*);
  - 2020 Europe Prize presentation ceremony (Amilly, France), 2 July 2021 (*date to be confirmed*);
  - 2021 Europe Prize presentation ceremony (Khmelnystkyi, Ukraine) (*date to be defined*).

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## Committee on Social Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development

### *Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize*

#### WINNERS OF THE EUROPE PRIZE, THE PLAQUE OF HONOUR, THE FLAG OF HONOUR AND THE EUROPEAN DIPLOMA FOR 2021

##### 1. EUROPE PRIZE

The **Europe Prize**, which is the highest distinction, is awarded to:

Ukraine                      **Khmelnyskyi** (Khmelnyskyi oblast)

##### 2. PLAQUES OF HONOUR

The **Plaque of Honour**, which is the second highest distinction after the Europe Prize, is awarded to 5 municipalities:

Germany                      **Dortmund** (North Rhine-Westphalia)  
**Memmingen** (Bavaria)  
**Stuttgart** (Baden-Württemberg)

Turkey                        **Edremit** (Marmara Region)

Ukraine                      **Lviv** (Lviv Oblast)

##### 3. FLAGS OF HONOUR

The **Flag of Honour** is awarded to 4 municipalities:

France                        **Bayeux** (Normandy)

Italy                          **Reggio Emilia** (Emilia-Romagna)

Poland                        **Płońsk** (Mazovian Voivodship)

Turkey                        **Ahmetbey** (Marmara region)

##### 4. EUROPEAN DIPLOMAS

The **European Diploma** is awarded to 6 municipalities:

Germany                      **Nagold** (Baden-Württemberg)

Italy                          **Santhià** (Piedmont)

Portugal                      **Cascais** (Lisbon region)

Turkey                        **Beşiktaş** (Marmara region)  
**Kırklareli** (Marmara region)  
**Konak** (Aegean region)