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Council of Europe

“Bridging the gap”
Democracy: between old models and new realities

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME
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Friday 5 October 2012

Session of the Youth Assembly, organised by the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe and the Youth Department
Location: Palais de l’Europe

Saturday 6 October 2012

Inauguration of the exhibition “Cartooning for peace” under the auspices of Kofi Annan, former Secretary General of the United Nations and cartoonist Plantu from “Le Monde”
Location: Chambre de commerce et d’industrie

Youth Assembly [continued]
Location: European Youth Centre

Sunday 7 October 2012

Civil society debate on the theme of the Forum organised by the Conference of INGOs with participatory status with the Council of Europe
Location: tbc

Youth Assembly [continued]
Location: European Youth Centre

Evening: informal opening party
Location: Stadthalle, Kehl

* Names of some speakers are subject to confirmation
# Universal values, global challenges and regional realities

## Morning Session

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<td>His Majesty Abdullah II of Jordan</td>
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<td>Mr Ban Ki-moon, Secretary General of the United Nations*</td>
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<td>Mr José Manuel Barroso, President of the European Commission*</td>
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<td>Mr Sali Berisha, Prime Minister of Albania, on behalf of the Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe</td>
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<td>Mr Masahiro Kawai (Japan), Dean and CEO, Asian Development Bank Institute</td>
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<td>Mr Joseph Maila, Director of prospective, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of France</td>
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<td>Mr Pavol Demeš (Slovakia), Transatlantic Fellow, German Marshall Fund</td>
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<td>Ms Barbara Lochbihler (Germany), Chair of the subcommittee on Human Rights of the European Parliament</td>
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<td>Mr Salil Shetty (India), Secretary General, Amnesty International</td>
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Mr Keith Whitmore (United Kingdom), President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe

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**Evening Session**

Public debates in the city with personalities attending the Forum

Place: various locations in town
Tuesday 9 October 2012

9.30-12.00: **Working sessions**

Parallel workshops on the main axes of the Forum

A/ “Democracy: a universal value?”

**A.1. Public sector/private sector: religion in the democratic public domain**

Chair:
Mr Marc Scheuer, Director of the Secretariat of the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations

Speakers:
Ms Amel Grami (Tunisia), professor at the University of Manouba
Mr Joseph Maila, Director for Prospective, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of France
Mr Moez Masoud (Egypt), radio and television host

Discussants:
Mr Moncef Ben Sliman (Tunisia), President of Lam Echaml
Mr Akuila Yabaki (Fiji), Executive Director of the Citizens Constitutional Forum

**A.2. Multiple identities and “living together”**

Chair:
NN, Former Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights

Speakers:
Ms Danuta Hubner (Poland), Chair of the Committee on Regional Development of the European Parliament
Mr Thomas Reetsang Mogoeng Mogoeng, Chief Justice of the Constitutional Court of South Africa
Mr Alberto Moreno Pérez (Colombia), Judicial Field Officer, United Nations Development Programme

Discussants:
Mr Vincent de Paul Emah Etoundi, Member of the National Assembly of Cameroon
Ms Sandra Fong, Co-ordinator of “Dialogue Fiji”
Ms Aline Karim (Lebanon), journalist

B/ “Virtual values? Democracy and new social networks”

**B.1. Civil resistance and democratisation**

Chair:
Mr Maciej Bartkowski (USA), Senior Director for Education and Research at ICNC

Speakers:
Ms Luisa Trujillo (Colombia), writer and researcher
NN, Member of the Parliamentary Assembly Council of Europe
ICNC experts
Discussants:
Mr Fakhy Konate (Ivory Coast), Human Rights Lawyer
Ms Lhadon Tethong, Director of “Tibet Action Institute”

B.2. Internet, new media and democratic (r)evolutions
Chair:
Ms Deborah Bergamini (Italy), Chair of the North-South Centre, Chair of the Sub-Committee on Media and Information Society of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Speakers:
Mr Mohammad al-Abdallah (Syria), journalist and blogger
Mr Alexandre Heully (France), Executive director of the European magazine cafebabel.com
Ms Sharon Hom, Executive Director of “Human Rights in China”
Ms Asmaa Mahfouz (Egypt), Sakharov Prize 2011

Discussants:
Mr Luis Fernández, Foundation “Participando por Mexico”
Mr Yannick Harrel (France), Cyber Strategy consultant and lecturer
Mr Venace Konan (Ivory Coast), journalist and writer

C/ “One size fits all? Democracy and globalization”

C.1. Consequences of the economic and financial crisis on democratic institutions
Chair:
Mr Rolf Wenzel (Germany), Governor of the Council of Europe Development Bank

Speakers:
Mr Ralf Fücks (Germany), President, Heinrich Böll Foundation
Mr Masahiro Kawai (Japan), Dean and CEO of the Asian Development Bank Institute
Mr Marcio Pochmann (Brazil), economist, President of the Brazilian Institute for Applied Economic Research (IPEA)

Discussants:
Mr Vijay Anand (India), co-founder and President of “5th Pillar”
Mr James Sirleaf (Liberia), Governor of the Central Bank
Ms Francesca Traldi (Italy), Magna Carta Foundation

C.2. The crisis threat to social cohesion?
Chair:
Mr Gilles Finchelstein (France), President of the Jean Jaurès Foundation

Speakers:
Ms Kim Campbell, former Prime Minister of Canada, Chair of the World Movement for Democracy
Mr Dante Caputo, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Argentina
Mr Olusegun Obasanjo, former President of Nigeria
Mr Goran Svilanovic (Serbia), Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Discussants:
Mr Khalil Al Assali, Palestinian activist
12.30: Lunch

14.30 - 17.00: Working sessions [continued]

A/ “Democracy: a universal value?”

A.3. Can democracy be imposed?

Chair:
Mr Jacques-Paul Klein (USA), former Under Secretary General of the United Nations

Speakers:
Mr Guy Buchsenschmidt (Belgium), Chief of Staff, Eurocorps
Ms Anne Nivat (France), reporter, war correspondent and writer
Ms Vanessa Ortiz, Transition Program Advisor, U.S. Agency for International Development

Discussants:
Mr Faiysal Alikhan (Pakistan), civil society leader
Mr Mustafa al-Kadhimi (Iraq), “Al-Esbui’a” magazine

A.4. Testing democracy against extremism

Chair:
Mr Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu (Turkey), former President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Speakers:
Mr Jorge Castañeda, Secretary of Foreign Affairs of Mexico
Ms Claudia Mosquera Rosero-Labbé, Professor at the National University of Colombia
Mr Hassan Shire Sheikh (Uganda), Executive Director, “The East and Horn of Africa Human Rights Defenders Project”
Mr Rajith Keerthi Tennakoon (Sri Lanka), freelance journalist, Executive Director of the Centre for Human Rights

Discussants:
Ms Munjin Park, “Korea Democracy Foundation”
Ms Asiya Sasykbaeva, Deputy Speaker of the Kyrgyz parliament

B/ “Virtual values? Democracy and new social networks”

B.3. Participatory democracy: the citizen, an active political actor

Chair:
Mr Jean-Marie Heydt (France), President of the INGO Conference of the Council of Europe

Speakers:
Ms Maite Azuela (Mexico), founder of the movement “Dejemos de Hacernos Pendejos”
Mr Andrew Bradley, Director, Office of the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA) to the EU
Mr Christian Saves (France), political scientist, senior civil servant
Mr Arnold Tsunga (Zimbabwe), Director of the Africa Regional Programme, International Commission of Jurists
Discussants:
Ms Virisila Buadromo, Executive Director of the Fiji Women's Rights Movement
Ms Inès Hammami (Tunisia), Vice-president of Lam Echaml
Ms Olena Tregub (Ukraine), journalist and political analyst,

B.4. Becoming a citizen: education and democratic culture

Chair:
Mr Jean-Paul Costa (France), President of the International Institute of Human Rights (Strasbourg) and former President of the European Court of Human Rights

Speakers:
Mr Paul Bromberg (Colombia), former mayor of Bogota
Mr Shafeeq Ghabra (Kuwait), professor of Political Science, founder and President of “Jusoor Arabiya”
Mr Steven Wagenseil (USA), Former First Deputy Director of the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

Discussants:
Mr Helge Lunde (Norway), Executive Director of ICORN
Mr Dadang Trisasongko, “Indonesian Corruption Watch”

C/ “One size fits all? Democracy and globalization”

C.3. Which democratic governance in a globalised world?

Chair:
Mr Wendelin Ettmayer (Austria), Ambassador, author on international affairs

Speakers:
Ms Beverly Crawford (USA), University of California, Berkeley
Mr Ivan Krastev (Bulgaria), Chairman of the Centre for Liberal Strategies
Mr Igor Rogov, President of the Constitutional Council of Kazakhstan, Member of the ‘Venice Commission’
Ms Sima Samar, Chair of the Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission

Discussants:
Ms Maryam al-Khawaja, Vice President of Bahrain Center for Human Rights
Ms Pelagie Belomo Essono (Cameroon), Catholic University of Central Africa

C.4. Towards a new democratic ethic?

Chair:
Mr Roman Jakic (Slovenia), Member of the Parliamentary Assembly Council of Europe

Speakers:
Mr Andrei Kolesnikov (Russia), journalist, Novaya Gazeta
Mr Yehuda Lancry (Israel), former Ambassador to France and the United Nations
Mr Marin Mrcela (Croatia), President of the Council of Europe Group of States against Corruption (GRECO)
Mr Denis Rolland (France), Historian and Rector of the Academy of Guyana
Discussants:
Mr Bambang Harymurti, Vice-president of the Indonesian Press Council
Mr Geo Sung Kim (South Korea), Founding President of « Transparency International – Korea »

**Evening Session**

Public debates in the city with personalities attending the Forum

Place: various locations in town
Wednesday 10 October 2012

9.30 - 12.00: “Democracy in the 21st century” round tables

Parallel round tables with international experts (academics, politicians, NGO representatives etc) (co)organised by partner organisations.

- **Responsible media?**
  Partners: Directorate of Communication of the Council of Europe/Press Club Strasbourg-Europe
  Location: Palais de l’Europe

- **Transfrontier co-operation**
  Partners: *Conseil Général du Bas-Rhin Centre Régional d’Alsace/ ALDA*
  Location: Conseil Général du Bas-Rhin

- **Is representative democracy in crisis?**
  Partner: Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
  Location: Palais de l’Europe
  
  Chair and moderator:
  Mr Jean-Claude Mignon (France), President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

  Speakers:
  Ms Anne Brasseur (Luxembourg), Member of the Parliamentary Assembly Council of Europe, Chair of the ALDE Group
  Mr Andreas Gross (Switzerland), Member of the Parliamentary Assembly Council of Europe, Chair of the Socialist Group

- **Money and Democracy**
  Partners: Transparency International/ Council of Europe
  Location: Palais de l’Europe

  Chair and moderator:
  Mr Miklos Marschall (Hungary), Deputy Managing Director, Transparency International

  Speakers:
  Mr Vijay Anand (India), Co-founder and President of “5th Pillar”
  Ms Annie Enriquez Geron (Philippines), Secretary-general Public Services Labour Independent confederation, PSLINK

- **Living together**
  Partner: Conference of INGOs with participative status
  Location: Palais de l’Europe
12.30: Lunch

14.30 - 17.00: "**Democracy in the 21st century**" round tables [continued]

- **Responsible leadership**  
  Partners: Association of Schools of Political Studies/ Council of Europe  
  Location: Palais de l’Europe

  Chair:  
  Ms Catherine Lalumière (France), former Secretary General of the Council of Europe, President of the European Association of Schools of Political Studies of the Council of Europe

  Moderator:  
  Mr Enrique Uribe (Colombia), Professor at the University of Strasbourg

  Speakers:  
  Mr Salomon Fils de Dougovo (Cameroon), Member of Parliament and President of the Front of Defense for Youth in Central Africa  
  Mr Frank Prochaska (USA), Professor, Colorado Technical University  
  NN, Director(s) of Schools of Political Studies

- **Education for democracy and citizen participation**  
  Partner: City of Strasbourg  
  Location: Salle de l’Aubette [tbc]

- **Local and regional democracy** (17.00-19.00)  
  Partners: Conseil Regional d’Alsace/ Assembly of European Regions/ Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe  
  Location: Conseil Regional d’Alsace

- **Migrations: solidarity in crisis?**  
  Partners: North-South Centre of the Council of Europe (Lisbon)/ ICORN  
  Location: Palais de l’Europe

- **Europe – a global actor?**  
  Partner: European Union (tbc)/ European Policy Centre  
  Location: Palais de l’Europe

- **Moving beyond electoral democracies**  
  Partner: European Network of Political Foundations (ENoP)  
  Location: Palais de l’Europe

**Evening: Public debates in the city**
### Thursday 11 October 2012

**Palais de l’Europe**

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