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EUROPEAN CONFERENCE

**"THE ELECTED EXECUTIVE AND THE LOCAL AUTHORITY
CHIEF EXECUTIVE – A DELICATELY BALANCED AND
COMPLEMENTARY PARTNERSHIP"**

Strasbourg, 17 and 18 January 2008

DRAFT PROGRAMME

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Venue: Palais de l'Europe, Room 1

Simultaneous interpretation provided in English, French, German, Italian, Russian and Spanish

Thursday 17 January 2008

2.00 pm Opening of the conference

Halvdan SKARD (Norway), President of the Congress
Adrian MIFSUD (Malta), President of UDITE (Federation of Local Government Chief Executive Officers of Europe)

General introduction

by **Jacques BOUVIER (Belgium)**, Town Clerk, Member of the Congress's Group of Independent Experts on the European Charter of Local Self-Government

Discussion

3.30 pm Coffee break

**4.00 pm Session 1
Political and managerial responsibility of the elected executive in local and regional administration**

Chair: **Yavuz MILDON (Turkey)**, President of the Chamber of Regions of the Congress

Rapporteur: **Hans Martin TSCHUDI (Switzerland)**, former President of the Government and Minister of Justice of the Canton of Basel-City, former Vice-President of the Congress, Partner in Lawyer Office Furer & Karrer, Basel

Presentation of national examples:

- Sweden by **Lars O MOLIN**, Chair of Örebro Municipal Council
- Ukraine by **Nataliya ROMANOVA**, Chair of Chernigiv Regional Council

General discussion

Friday 18 January 2008

**9.30 am Session 2
The position of the local authority chief executive between the elected executive and the administration**

Chair: **Ian MICALLEF (Malta)**, President of the Chamber of Local Authorities of the Congress

Rapporteur: **Didier DURAFFOURG (France)**, Honorary President of the French Association, UDITE

10.15 am General discussion

10.45 am Coffee break

11.15 am Presentation of national examples:

- France by **Stephane PINTRE**, President of the French Association-SNDGCT
- Russian Federation by **Irina PEREVERZEVA**, Mayor of Kostroma, Vice-President of the Institutional Committee of the Congress
- Italy by **Liborio IUDICELLO**, Secretary General and Director General, Municipality of Siena, National Secretary of UNSCP
- Spain by **Eulalio AVILA CANO**, President of COSITAL

12.00 pm General discussion

12.30 p.m. Lunch

**2.00 pm Session 3
Synergy between the elected executive and the chief executive in politics and management**

Chair: **Juan Ignacio SOTO VALLE (Spain)**, Vice-President of COSITAL

Rapporteur: **Pascal MANGIN (France)**, Deputy Mayor of Strasbourg

2.30 pm Presentation of national examples:

- United Kingdom by **Mike BENNETT**, Deputy Director General of SOLACE
- The Netherlands by **Emma DE LANGE**, International Representative for European Affairs of the board of the VGS and Member of the Committee for International Collaboration of the VNG (National Union of Cities)
- Portugal by **João DIAS PACHECO**, Secretary of Portuguese Association of Municipal Chief Executives and Technicians (ATAM)
- Ireland by **Hubert KEARNS**, County Manager, Sligo County Council

3.15 pm General discussion

3.45 pm Coffee break

4.15 pm Closure of the conference

Chair: **Keith WHITMORE (United Kingdom)**, Member, Manchester Metropolitan City Council, President of the Institutional Committee of the Congress

Presentation of conclusions by:

Pascal MANGIN (France), Congress' rapporteur

Paulo DIAS JORGE (Portugal), Secretary General of UDITE