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# ACTIVITIES OF THE CONGRESS ON ELECTORAL MATTERS (8 October 2025 – 11 December 2025)

### Texts adopted at the 49<sup>th</sup> Congress Session (27-30 October 2025)

- Observation of the Hamburg State Parliament elections, 2 March 2025 (Head of delegation, David ERAY, Switzerland, EPP/CCE). Report and recommendation available <a href="here">here</a>.
- Observation of the local and county council elections in Finland, 13 April 2025) (Head of delegation: Gobnait NI MHUIMNEACAIN, Ireland, ILDG). Report and recommendation available here.

## Texts to be discussed at the 50<sup>th</sup> Congress Session (30 March – 2 April 2026)

- Observation of the local elections in Kosovo\*, 12 October 2025 (Head of delegation, Dominique LEVEQUE, France, SPC/G/PD). Preliminary statement available <a href="here">here</a>.
- Observation of the local elections in North Macedonia, 19 October 2025 (Head of delegation: Gobnait NI MHUIMNEACAIN, Ireland, ILDG). Preliminary statement available <a href="here">here</a>.
- Observation of the local elections in Estonia, 19 October 2025 (Head of delegation: Jana FISCHEROVA, Czechia, ECR). Preliminary statement available here.
- Observation of the local elections in San Marino, 23 November 2025 (Head of delegation: Christa CARPELAN, Finland, EPP/CCE). Preliminary statement available <a href="https://example.com/here-en/by
- Observation of the early elections for the president of Republika Srpska (Bosnia and Herzegovina), 23 November 2025 (Head of delegation: Bernd VOHRINGER, Germany, EPP/CCE). Preliminary statement available <a href="here">here</a>.
- Report on the Congress Fact-finding Mission to Georgia 23 to 25 September 2025, Rapporteurs: President of the Chamber of Local Authorities, Bernd Vöhringer (Germany, EPP/CCE), and the Congress Spokesperson on the Observation of Local and Regional Elections, Stewart Dickson (United Kingdom, ILDG),
- Report on the right to free elections at local level; Rapporteur: Stewart Dickson (United Kingdom, ILDG)

#### Local and regional elections of interest in 2026

- Municipal elections, France (15 March 2026)
- Regional elections, People's Assembly of Gagauzia (22 March 2026)
- Local elections, Iceland (16 May 2026)
- Local elections, Slovak Republik (date tbc)
- Local and regional elections, Sweden (13 September 2026)
- General elections, Bosnia and Herzegovina (October 2026)

<sup>\*</sup>Throughout this document, all reference to Kosovo, whether to the territory, institutions or population shall be understood in full compliance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo.

## Thematic reports in preparation

- The status of international and national election observers in local and regional elections in the 46 member States
- o The use of ICTs in local and regional elections.

## Other activities of interest

- On 28 October, the Congress Monitoring Committee adopted the terms of reference for a report on the status of international and national election observers in local and regional elections in the 46 member States.