



Commission for Citizenship, Governance,
Institutional and External Affairs (CIVEX)

The Chair

Brussels, 17 June 2022

For the attention of the members of the Commission for Citizenship, Governance, Institutional and External Affairs

13th meeting of the CIVEX Commission, and conference on *The impact of managing migration and integration on local and regional authorities (LRAs), especially in border regions, and the need to enhance support to LRAs by the EU institutions* – Thursday 23 June and Friday 24 June 2022 – hosted by Municipality of Alimos, Greece, at: Divani Apollon Palace, 10 Agiou Nikolaou Street, 166 71 Vouliagmeni, Greece.

Dear colleagues,

The CIVEX Commission will hold its external meeting and conference (in-person only) hosted by the Municipality of Alimos, Greece, at the invitation of **Andreas Kondylis (EL/Renew Europe)**, Mayor of Alimos. In this document, you will find the draft agenda for the CIVEX meeting, the programme for both days, as well as relevant practical information.

1. Please **book your hotel before midnight on Friday 29 April 2022**, to ensure that you find a room at one of the hotels recommended by the host (see the *Practical Information* section).
Please note that this is a peak period in Greece, thus we recommend that you book your room as soon as possible!
2. Please register for the meetings **before 5 June 2022**. After you have made your hotel booking and your travel arrangements, please register via the CoR registration form at <https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/2022CivexMeetingGreece>.
3. Please confirm or delegate your presence via the Members' Portal at <https://memportal.cor.europa.eu/> before midnight on Wednesday 22 June 2022.

In accordance with Rule 64(1) of the Rules of Procedure, the deadline for tabling amendments for the draft opinions for discussion at the meeting is set at 15.00 (Brussels time) on Tuesday 7 June 2022.

I look forward to seeing you in Greece.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Mark Speich



The City of Alimos



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Programme Overview

[Divani Apollon Palace](#), 10 Agiou Nikolaou Street, 166 71 Vouliagmeni, Greece

Wednesday 22 June

Arrival in Alimos (see the *Practical Information* section for shuttle information)

Thursday 23 June

- 08:30 Registration and welcome coffee
Coffee, snacks and drinks will be available throughout the meeting
- 09.00 Meetings of the political groups
- 09.30 Meeting of the political coordinators
- 10.00 Meeting of the CIVEX Commission
- 13.30 Lunch break - refreshments compliments of the Chair
- 15.00 City tour
- 19.00 Official dinner (*at Ble Azure, 70 Poseidonos Av., 17455 Alimos*)

Friday 24 June

- 09.00 Registration and welcome coffee
- 09.30 Conference on *The impact of managing migration and integration on local and regional authorities (LRAs), especially in border regions, and the need to enhance support to LRAs by the EU institutions*
- 13.30 End of conference and shuttle departure to the hotels and to the airport
- 19.00 Social event (*shuttles will be provided from hotels to the venue and back*)
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Notice of meeting of the CIVEX Commission

Meeting No	13
Chair	Mark Speich (DE/EPP)
Venue	Divani Apollon Palace , 10 Agiou Nikolaou Street, 166 71 Vouliagmeni, Greece
Date	Thursday 23 June, 10.00-13.30 (Athens time)
Amendment deadline (CIVEX-VII-014, 015 and 016)	Tuesday 7 June, 15.00 (Brussels time)
Deadline for submitting a delegation of presence	Wednesday 22 June, midnight (Brussels time)

Please note:

- ✓ Athens is one hour ahead of Brussels.
- ✓ The documents will be available on the Members' Portal; there will no paper files available on site.

Interpreting for the coordinators' meeting

Participants may speak and listen in ES/DE/EL/EN/FR/IT/NL/PL/FI/SV

Interpreting for the Commission meeting

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- 09.00 Meeting of the political groups
- 09.30 Meeting of the political coordinators (in camera – tbc)
- 10.00 CIVEX Commission meeting
Welcome – **Georgios Patoulis (EL/EPP)**, Governor of Attica Region, Head of the Greek Delegation to the CoR
1. Adoption of the draft agenda
COR-2022-01913-00-00-CONVPOJ-TRA
 2. Approval of the minutes of the 12th meeting
COR-2022-01915-00-00-PV-TRA
 3. Statement of the Chair
 4. Organisation of future work

For decision

- 4.1 Opinions on the basis of consultations – Rule 41 a)
Appointment of rapporteurs

- 4.2 Own-initiative opinions – Rule 41 b) i)
Decision to draw up an opinion
Appointment of rapporteurs
- 4.3 Own-initiative opinions – Rule 41 b) ii)
Decision to request Bureau authorisation
Provisional appointment of rapporteurs
- 4.4 Decision not to draw up an opinion – Rule 65
- 4.5 Ongoing work programme and decision on attributions by the President
COR-2022-02845-00-00-TCD-TRA

For information

- 4.6 Follow up to opinions
COR-2022-01918-00-00-TCD-TRA
- 4.7 CIVEX-related activities
COR-2022-01919-00-00-TCD-TRA

For adoption

5. Opinions – discussion and adoption

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| 5.1 | Title | <i>Revised Schengen Area Governance</i> |
| | Rapporteur | Antje Grotheer (DE/PES) |
| | Document | COR-2022-01129-00-00-PA-TRA |
| | Type of opinion | Rule 41 b) i) |
| | Dossier | CIVEX-VII-014 |
| | Adoption in plenary session | 12-13 October 2022 |
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| 5.2 | Title | <i>A more inclusive and protective Europe: extending the list of EU crimes to hate speech and hate crime</i> |
| | Rapporteur | Aleksandra Dulkiewicz (PL/EPP) |
| | Document | COR-2022-01407-00-00-PA-TRA |
| | Type of opinion | Rule 41 b) i) |
| | Dossier | CIVEX-VII-015 |
| | Adoption in plenary session | 12-13 October 2022 |
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| 5.3 | Title | <i>The CoR's role in boosting subnational climate diplomacy ahead of COP27 and COP28</i> |
| | Rapporteur | Olgierd Geblewicz (PL/EPP) |
| | Document | COR-2022-02284-00-00-PA-TRA |
| | Type of opinion | Rule 41 b) ii) |

Dossier CIVEX-VII-016
Adoption in plenary session 12-13 October 2022

6. Thematic debate on *Beyond the Conference on the Future of Europe. A territorial perspective.*
 - Presentation of the study on *The territorial dimension of the Conference on the Future of Europe and its follow-ups*
 - Damian Boeselager (DE/Greens/European Free Alliance), Member of the European Parliament and delegate to the Conference on the Future of Europe (*via video- message*)
7. Any other business
8. Confirmation of the date of the next meeting: 28 September 2022.

Amendments must be submitted through the online tool for tabling amendments (available on the Members' Portal at: <https://mempportal.cor.europa.eu/>).

N.B.: Only members of this commission and alternates delegated to attend the meeting will be entitled to travel and subsistence payments.

Members are asked to use the online system for delegation of presence and voting rights in order to confirm their attendance at the meeting or to notify the secretariat of any delegation of presence to another member or alternate under Rule 6(2) of the Rules of Procedure. The online system is accessible through the Members' Portal on the CoR main website.

The Helpdesk will be happy to provide any further assistance you may need.

This agenda is sent to all members of the CIVEX commission for information. Please be aware that your participation (or delegation to participate) and entitlement to any payment or reimbursement are subject to 1) the validity of your mandate as a CoR member at the moment of the meeting, and 2) the relevant CoR regulations applicable to online meetings that are in force at the moment of the meeting.

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The City of Alimos



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Conference

The impact of managing migration and integration on local and regional authorities (LRAs), especially in border regions, and the need to enhance support to LRAs by the EU institutions

Friday 24 June 2022

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The migration landscape has changed dramatically overnight with millions of refugees fleeing Ukraine. This is in addition to the constant flows of refugees arriving in the EU countries located in the Mediterranean. The EU is currently facing a massive challenge, with many more to come. Local and regional authorities in border regions are under considerable pressure because of the unequal distribution of the responsibilities in managing the current situation, and they are seeking crucial support to better manage this challenge.

Interpreting for the conference

Participants may speak and listen in ES/DE/EL/EN/FR/IT/NL/PL

08.30 Registration and welcome coffee

09.30 **Opening session. Reforming the EU migration policy – 2022 solidarity shift**

- **Andreas Kondylis (EL/Renew Europe)**, Mayor of Alimos
- **Apostolos Tzitzikostas (EL/EPP)**, Governor of Central Macedonian Region and President of the CoR
- **Mark Speich (DE/EPP)**, Secretary of State for Federal, European and International Affairs (North Rhine-Westphalia) and Chair of the CoR Commission for Citizenship, Governance, Institutional and External Affairs (CIVEX)
- **Margaritis Schinas**, Vice-president of the European Commission (via video-message)
- **Sofia Voultepsi**, Deputy Minister for Migration and Asylum, Greece
- **Panagiotis (Takis) Theodorikakos**, Minister of Citizens' Protection, Greece

Exchange of views

10.30 Coffee break
Press conference (EL/EN)

11.00 **Session 1. Multilevel governance as a solution to holistic migration and integration-friendly policies**

Moderator: Ana Feder, Regional Portfolio Manager, International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD)

Speakers:

- **Antje Grotheer** (DE/PES), Vice-President of Bremen State Parliament, CoR rapporteur on the *New Pact on Migration and Asylum* and the *Revised Schengen Area Governance*
- **Georgios Chatzimarkos** (EL/EPP), Governor of South Aegean Region, member of the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions (CPMR), CoR member
- **Ángel Víctor TORRES PÉREZ** (ES/PES), President of the Government of the Canary Islands, CoR member (via video-message)
- **Claire Charbit**, Head of the Regional Attractiveness and Migrant Integration Unit, OECD

Exchange of views

12.15 **Session 2. Solidarity with cities and regions welcoming refugees – How best to support inclusive communities?**

Moderator: Claire Charbit, Head of the Regional Attractiveness and Migrant Integration Unit, OECD

Speakers:

- **Aikaterini Dimitrakopoulou**, Head of Sector, Legal Pathways and Integration Unit, Directorate-General for Migration and Home Affairs, European Commission
- **Damian Boeselager** (DE/Greens/European Free Alliance), member of the European Parliament (via video-message)
- **Marina Medarić**, Vice-President of the Assembly of European Regions for Inclusion, Diversity and Equality, Deputy Prefect of Primorje-Gorski Kotar County (Croatia), Member of the Council of Europe Congress
- **Anita Orav**, expert on asylum policies and integration, European Parliamentary Research Service (EPRS)
- **Ana Feder**, Regional Portfolio Manager, International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD)

Exchange of views

13.00 Closing

Practical Information

13th meeting of the CIVEX Commission and Conference

23-24 June 2022 – Alimos, Greece

Accommodation

The host has pre-booked a number of rooms in the following hotels at discounted rates for CIVEX participants **until 29 April 2022**. After this date, room availability and rate cannot be guaranteed.

In order to benefit from the discounted rooms, **the booking must be made by sending an email**, and indicating the code "CIVEX", as described in the table below.

Please note that the rates below are not inclusive of a stayover tax of 3-4 euros per room per night.

Hotel name	Cost per night	Availability	To book, please send an email to:
<u>TROPICAL HOTEL</u>	105 euros for standard single room 125 euros for executive room	<u>20</u>	<u>info@tropicalhotel.gr</u> code "CIVEX"
<u>GRAND HYATT ATHENS</u>	160 euros for deluxe single room 170 euros for deluxe double room	30	<u>https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/ATHGH/G-EPX3</u> code "CIVEX"
<u>EMMANTINA HOTEL</u>	97 euros for single room 117 euros for double room	<u>10</u>	<u>info@emmantina.gr</u> code "CIVEX"
<u>OASIS HOTEL</u>	97 euros for single room 117 euros for double room	30	<u>reservations@oasishotelapartments.com</u> code "CIVEX"
<u>CONGO PALACE</u>	100 euros for single room 110-120 euros for standard twin	14	<u>sales@congoalace.gr</u> code "CIVEX"
<u>CORAL HOTEL</u>	95 euros for single room 124 euros for twin room (single or double room) 140 euros for sea view room	Limited	<u>info@coralhotel.gr</u> code "CIVEX"

Contact information

For questions regarding the CIVEX Commission meeting and conference, please contact the organising team at civex@cor.europa.eu. During 22-24 June, you may contact us at:

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Transportation information

You are free to make your own arrangement to travel to Alimos by car or train.

For those of you arriving at Athens International airport, the host will organise shuttle transportation to the recommended hotels on 22 June 2022.

On 23 and 24 June, the host will also provide shuttles from selected hotels (see the section on *Accommodation* further up) to and from each venue.

Those of you who prefer to stay at a different hotel than those proposed by the host, depending on the location, you may also be able to benefit from the shuttle.

For departures from hotels to the airport, the host will provide shuttles from hotels on 24 June in the afternoon and on 25 June in the morning.

The host will organise the shuttle schedule according to the arrival and departure flights, and the hotel list. Please provide us with as much detailed information as possible once the CoR registration form is open, and kindly respect the deadline of 5 June for completing your registration.