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**Council of Europe Forum for the Future of Democracy
Madrid, Spain
Municipal Congress Centre
15-17 October 2008**

*Hosted by the Spanish Ministry of Public Administrations
with the support of the City of Madrid*

“e-democracy”

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Wednesday 15 October - DAY ONE

2 p.m. – 4 p.m. Registration of participants

4 p.m. – 7.30 p.m.

Opening of the Forum for the Future of Democracy 2008

Welcome by
representatives of the Spanish Government / City of Madrid

Opening Speeches:

Right Hon Terry Davis, Secretary General of the Council of Europe

Mr Lluís Maria de Puig, President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Mr Yavuz Milden, President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of Europe

Mr Christer Hallerby, State Secretary, Ministry of Integration and Gender Equality, Sweden, representing the Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers and reporting on follow-up to the 2007 Forum Session in Sweden

5.30 p.m. – 6 p.m. Break

First Plenary session, Chair: Mr Lluís Maria de Puig
Setting the scene

Panel debate
“Opportunities and risks of e-democracy”

Prof. William Dutton, Director of the Oxford Internet Institute, Oxford, United Kingdom
Mr Johan Gorecki, CEO and founder, Globe Forum Business Network and co-developer of Skype, Sweden
Mr Vasilis Koulolias, Executive Director, Gov2u, Greece

9 p.m.

Welcome reception given by the City of Madrid at *Parque del Retiro* for all participants in the Forum

Thursday 16 October - DAY TWO

9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. / 3 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

Six parallel workshop tracks

Sub-theme	I. democratic governance			II. empowerment		III. International and regulatory context
Track	<p>1. e-participation</p> <p><i>sala Paris</i></p> <p>working languages: English, French</p>	<p>2. e-participation at local level</p> <p><i>sala Madrid</i></p> <p>working languages: English, French, German, Spanish</p>	<p>3. ICT in electoral processes</p> <p><i>Biennial review meeting of Rec(2004)11 on e-voting</i></p> <p><i>sala London</i></p> <p>working languages: English, French</p>	<p>4. e-inclusion</p> <p><i>sala Brussels</i></p> <p>working language: English</p>	<p>5. e-democracy from the grass roots</p> <p><i>sala Berlin</i></p> <p>working language: English</p>	<p>6.</p> <p><i>sala Amsterdam</i></p> <p>working language: English</p>
am	ICT for participatory democracy	e-tools in citizen participation at local level	e-voting: Recent developments and challenges	Access	The role of the media	e-government and e-democracy developments worldwide
pm	Opportunities for and challenges to representative democracy	e-participatory budgeting	Certification, auditing and observation of e-enabled elections	Proficiency	e-activism/ e-campaigning	Regulatory aspects relevant to e-democracy

Sub-theme I: Democratic governance

Workshop track No. 1 e-participation

Rapporteur: Ms. Ella Taylor-Smith, Napier University, United Kingdom

ICT for participatory democracy

Chair: Mr Thomas Buchsbaum, Ministry of European and International Affairs, Austria,
Chairman of CAHDE

Speakers

Prof. Ann Macintosh, University of Leeds, United Kingdom: Success, failure and challenges of e-participation

Mr Göran Lindblad, Chairman of the Political Affairs Committee of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Mr Csaba Madarasz, Council of Europe INGO Conference

Prof. Herbert Kubicek, Institute for Information Management, Bremen, Germany: E-participation in Germany – an overview

N.N., from a Spanish regional administration: e-participation at the regional level in Spain

Opportunities for and challenges to representative democracy (CoE partner: PACE)

Chair: Mr Juan Fernando López Aguilar, Chairman of the Ad hoc Committee of the Parliamentary Assembly on the Forum for the Future of Democracy

Speakers

Mr Gherardo Casini, UNDESA, Rome: ICT in Parliaments

Mr Andreas Gross, Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Mr Alessandro Villani, Director for coordination of projects, e-Government and innovation, City of Florence, Italy, Council of Europe Congress: E-tools: a response to the needs of local authorities

Mr Bruno Kaufmann, Initiative and Referendum Institute Europe: Towards a Trans-National Direct-Democratic Infrastructure

Mr Dick Toornstra, DG EXPO, European Parliament

Workshop track No. 2

e-participation at the local level

This workshop track is organised by the City of Madrid

Rapporteur: Mr David Ríos Insua, Professor of Statistics and Operation Research, Spanish Royal Academy of Sciences, Vicerector of International Relations and New Technologies, Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, Madrid

E-tools in citizen participation at local level

Chair: Mr Alejandro Arranz, Director General for Innovation and Technology, City of Madrid

Speakers:

Mr José Nuño, General Directorate of Quality Management and Citizen Relations, City of Madrid: Interactive local government on the web site of the City of Madrid

Ms Mercedes de la Merced, Latin American Capital Cities Union, General Secretariat (UCCI): E-participation policies in Latin American municipalities

Mr Helmut Himmelsbach, Mayor of the City of Heilbronn, Germany, Rapporteur of the Council of Europe Congress on Electronic democracy and deliberative consultation on urban projects: Using e-tools in urban/spatial planning

Mr Odón Elorza González, Mayor of San Sebastian, President of the Commission on Citizen Participation and Good Governance of FEMP (Spanish Federation of Municipalities and Provinces)

Mr Rick Klooster, City of Apeldoorn, Netherlands: VirtuoCity - Urban planning through ICTs in Apeldoorn, Helmond and Tilburg

Mr Francesco Molinari, ALTEC: ICTs for urban planning in the City of Massa

Mr Rui Lourenco, Coimbra University/Portugal: Developing electronic documentation for citizen debates at community level

Ms Gun Eriksson, Sigtuna, host city to the 2007 FFD session: E-participation in the Swedish town of Sigtuna

e-participatory Budgets

Chair: Ms Sandra de Lorite, City of Madrid Councillor on Citizen Participation

Moderator: Mr José Manuel Rodríguez Álvarez, Deputy Director of European Affairs, City of Madrid

Speakers:

Mr Manuel Arenilla, Rey Juan Carlos University, Madrid, Spain: Participatory Budgets - A methodological approach

Mr Victor Garcia Segador, General Director for Citizen Participation, City of Madrid: Participatory Budgets - the experience in Madrid

Mr Francisco de la Torre, Mayor of Málaga, member of the Council of Europe Congress: e-Participatory Budgets in the City of Málaga

Mr Simon James, United Kingdom, Council of Europe Congress

Mr Angel Ros Domingo. Mayor of Lleida, President of the Commission on Information Society and New Technologies of FEMP (Spanish Federation of Municipalities and Provinces)

Mr Claudio Forghieri, Modena City Council, Italy: A multichannel approach to the e-Participatory Budget: the experience of the City of Modena

Mr Daniel Chavez, Transnational Institute, The Netherlands: Sociological Aspects of Participatory Budgets

Workshop track No. 3 ICT in electoral processes

e-voting: Recent developments and challenges

Certification, auditing and observation of e-enabled elections

2008 biennial review meeting of CM Recommendation (2004)11 on legal, operational and technical standards for e-voting, with special invitees from CoE member states, open to all FFD participants

Rapporteur: Prof. Laurence Monnoyer-Smith, Université de Technologie de Compiègne, France

Chair: Mr Luc van den Brande, Chairman of the Council for Democratic Elections, member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

First Session: Progress reports from Council of Europe member states

Speakers

Mr Paul Docker, Ministry of Justice, United Kingdom: E-voting- the UK perspective

Ms. Ardita Driza Maurer, Federal Chancellery, Switzerland: Evolution of e-voting in Switzerland between 2006-2008 and outlook

Mr Danilo Rota, Canton of Neuchâtel, Switzerland : E-government and electronic voting

Prof. Alexander Trechsel, European University Institute, Florence, Italy: An analysis of the e-enabled elections in Estonia in 2005 and 2007

Mr Robert Krimmer, E-voting.cc, Austria: E-voting in Austria, current developments and outlook

Progress reports from other Council of Europe member states

Second Session: Activities and projects by International Organisations and other stakeholders

Ms Melanie Volkamer, University of Passau, Germany: The Common Criteria Protection Profile “Basic set of security requirements for Online Voting Products”

Mr Mats Lindberg, OSCE/ODIHR: Meaningful observation of electronic voting processes

N.N., Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Mr Jordi Barrat i Esteve, University of Alacant, Spain: Certification of e-voting systems: what about transparency?

Mr John Borrás, OASIS: Election Markup Language (EML) progress report

Ms Gabriele Kucsko-Stadlmayer, member of the Venice Commission: The work of the Venice Commission in the field of e-democracy, in particular e-voting

Concluding session: Looking ahead - Future prospects and challenges, and the role of the Council of Europe

Sub-theme II: Empowerment

**Workshop track No. 4
e-inclusion**

Rapporteur: Prof. Tomas Ohlin, Telo Konsult, Sweden

Access

(*partner country: Sweden*)

Chair: Mr Christer Hallerby, State Secretary, Ministry of Integration and Gender Equality, Sweden

Speakers

Ms. Annie Biefnot-Vanboterdal, Directrice générale, Experte de la Direction générale opérationnelle Pouvoirs locaux, Action sociale et Santé, Région Wallonne, Belgium: The Digital Public Space (*Espace public numérique (EPN)*)

Mr Anders Nordh, Mr Hansi Carlsson, IT Strategists, Swedish Association of Local Authorities and Regions (SALAR): Citizen e-participation in Local Authorities and Regions - a brief overview

Ms. Ami Netzler, Strategy analyst, Ms. June-Ann Vincent, Project manager for Västerås 2026, Municipality of Västerås, Sweden: Young people's e-participation for future Västerås, Sweden's sixth largest city

N.N., Experience with the E-inclusion National Programme in Spain

Mr Kent Olsson, Sweden (EPP/CD), member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Mr Matt Poelmans, Burgerlink, Netherlands: Using ICT for involving citizens in democratic processes

Prof. Monique Leyenaar, Radboud University Nijmegen, Netherlands: E-Democracy: Blessing or Curse?

Proficiency

Chair: Ms Reinhild Otte, Chair of the Council of Europe Advisory Group on Education for democratic citizenship and Human Rights Education

Speakers

Mr Miguel Gonzalez-Sancho, Deputy Head of Unit H3: ICT for inclusion, DG Information Society and Media, European Commission

N.N., Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Ms Anne Faulkner, Head of Policy and Business Development, UK online centres, Sheffield, United Kingdom: Fostering e-inclusion – the experience of the UK online centres

Ms Jutta Croll, Foundation for Digital Opportunities (*Stiftung Digitale Chancen*), Bremen, Germany: Ways of improving people's proficiency for engaging in the digital world

Prof. Divina Frau-Meigs, Paris, France: How can formal education produce screen-smart and media and information literate children ?

Ms Elena Bonfiglioli, Director Corporate Citizenship, Microsoft Europe Middle East and Africa: Do partnerships work? The role of multi-stakeholder partnerships in delivering digital literacy and competences (tbc)

Workshop track No. 5 e-democracy from the grass roots

Rapporteur: Mr Thierry Vedel, Centre de recherches politiques de Sciences Po, Paris, France

The role of the media in promoting democratic participation
using the possibilities of ICT
(CoE partner: DG-HL/Media Division)

Chair: Ms Elfa Yr Gylfadóttir, Adviser, Office of Cultural Affairs, Ministry of Education, Science and Culture, Iceland, member of the Bureau of the Council of Europe's Steering Committee for Mass Media and New Communication Services (CDMC)

Speakers

Mr Karol Jakubowicz, Poland, former Chairman of the Council of Europe's Steering Committee for Mass Media and New Communication Services (CDMC): The role and future of public service media

Mr Francesco Piccinini, Agoravox.it: The experience and possibilities of new Internet-based media in promoting democratic participation

Mr Michael Hancock, United Kingdom (ALDE), member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Mr Alex Sergent, Catch 21 ("UK's first internet television channel - run by young people, for young people"): What kind of e-participation do young people want and what role should the media play ?

e-activism / e-campaigning

Chair: Mr Zbigniew Pisarski, Casimir Pulaski Foundation, Poland

Speakers

Ms. Sonja Kubisch, National Network for Civil Society (*Bundesnetzwerk Bürgerschaftliches Engagement*), Germany: The *Buergernetz*, an online network for civic engagement

Mr Thomas Noirfalisse, Oxfam International: Does e-campaigning really work? An overview of successes and failures

Mr Emin Huseynzade, Transition Online, Azerbaijan: The situation of citizen media in Azerbaijan

Prof. Alexander Trechsel, European University Institute, Florence, Italy: Voting Advice Applications (VAAs)

N.N., National NGO Council Board of Spain: Spanish NGO experiences in the field of e-activism

Sub-theme III: International and regulatory context

Workshop track No. 6 International and regulatory context

Rapporteur: Mr Lasse Berntzen, Vestfold University College, Norway

E-government and e-democracy developments worldwide

Chair: Prof. Maria Wimmer, University of Koblenz, Germany

Speakers

Mr Peter Ferdinand, Director, Centre for Studies in Democratisation, University of Warwick, United Kingdom

Ms Valerie Frissen, Netherlands Organisation for Applied Scientific Research (TNO):
The report “Towards the user generated State: The impact of Web 2.0 on the government”

Prof. Kim Viborg Andersen, Center for Applied ICT, Copenhagen Business School, Denmark

Mr Jeremy Millard, Danish Technology Institute: How Different Citizen Groups use e-Government Services in Europe

Mr Athanassios Chrissafis, Unit e-Government, DG INFSO, European Commission

Ms Joanne Caddy, OECD: From open to inclusive: building citizen centred policy and services

Mr Michael Stanley-Jones, Aarhus Convention Secretariat, UNECE Geneva: Promoting e-democracy in support of environmentally sustainable development: the experience under the Aarhus Convention

Regulatory aspects relevant to e-democracy

Chair: Mr Cyril Ritchie, Council of Europe Conference of INGOs

Speakers

Mr Thomas Buchsbaum, Chairman of CAHDE: Introduction

Ms Sylvia Kierkegaard, IT lawyer, Denmark

Prof. David Souter, UK: Regulatory initiatives in the field of Internet Governance, in particular with regard to e-governance

Ms Evika Karamagioli, Gov2u, Greece: Regulatory action in the field of e-democracy from an ethical perspective

Prof. Maria Wimmer, University of Koblenz, Germany: A researcher's perspective of regulatory issues

Ms. Antonella Valmorbidia, Director of the Association of the Local Democracy Agencies (ALDA): Experiences of local and regional authorities

N.N., Ministry of Public Administrations, Spain: The Law on Electronic Access to Public Administration and its implications for citizen participation

Friday 17 October - DAY THREE

10 a.m. – 1.30 p.m.

Concluding Plenary session

Chair: N.N. *[to be proposed by the Spanish authorities]*

Contribution by Mr Jean-Marie Heydt, Vice-President of the Council of Europe Conference of INGOs

Reports from workshops by the workshop rapporteurs

Panel: Results and conclusions of the Forum for the Future of Democracy 2008

- The General rapporteurs: Prof. Tomás de la Quadra-Salcedo Fernández del Castillo, Mr Zoltán Szabó, Mr Keith Whitmore
- Mr Steven Clift, Publicus.Net, USA
- Prof. Lawrence Pratchett, Head of Department of Public Policy, Leicester Business School, De Montfort University, United Kingdom

Debate

Break

Presentation of the Forum conclusions

Invitation to the Forum 2009 in Ukraine by a representative of the Ukrainian authorities

Closing of the Session by a representative of the host authorities