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To the Secretary of the Monitoring Committee
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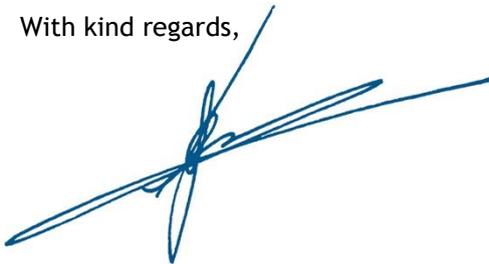
Candidature of Leen Verbeek (SOC, R, Netherlands) for the position of
chairman of the Monitoring Committee

Dear Ms Poirel,

I herewith declare to be a candidate for the chairmanship of the Monitoring Committee on behalf of
the Socialist Group of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities in the framework of the 31st
Congress plenary session.

Enclosed you will find my CV with more information.

With kind regards,



Leen Verbeek

Curriculum Vitae Leen Verbeek



Personal details:

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Education:

(diploma years) 1972 High School, Cedar Falls, Iowa, USA
1976 Academy for Educational Labour, De Jelburg, Baarn, the Netherlands
(*HBO* higher vocational education, now *FSAO* Utrecht University of Applied Sciences)

Work experience:

2016 Vice-President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe (CLRAE)
Member of the Bureau of the CLRAE.
Vice-President of the Socialist Group of the CLRAE
Vice-President of the Chamber of Regions of the (CLRAE).
President of the Dutch delegation to the Congress (CLRAE).
President of the Deltametropolis Association.
President of the Supervisory Board of the National Data Warehouse for Traffic Information (NDW).

2010 - present Full member of the Council of Europe's Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, Member of Monitoring Committee, co-rapporteur Local and Regional Democracy in Spain (2012/2013), Slovakia (2015), Turkey (2017) and thematic spokesperson for the strategy against radicalisation on grassroots level (2015)

2008- present King's Commissioner in the Province of Flevoland.
- Chairperson of general administration of Post-care fund
- Chairperson of the Supervisory Board EPD Flevoland **2000-2006** Chairperson of the Han Lammers fund
- Chairperson of the Prince Bernhard Culture fund
- Member of the National Mobility Council
- Member of the process group Paying differently for Mobility [*Anders betalen voor Mobiliteit*]

2003-2008 Mayor of the town of Purmerend
- Member of the administrative board of the Amsterdam Municipal Region (portfolios for Finance and Public Transport)
- Chairperson of the Inter-municipal Cooperation Waterland [*ISW*]
- Deputy regional police force manager for Zaanstreek-Waterland
- Chairperson of the Association of Noord-Holland municipalities
- Member of the Board of Noord-Holland Welfare Care [*WZNH*]
- Chairperson of *SKVV*, a form of cooperation regarding traffic and transport, between seven metropolitan regions

- Chairperson of national consultation *MOBIS*, *IPO* and *SKVV MOBIS*, **IPO SKVV**
 - Chairperson of North Wing Accessibility Platform [*Platform Bereikbaarheid Noordvleugel*, *PBN*]
- 1994-2003 Verbeek Interim Management & Consultancy BV Verbeek Interim
- Owner-director, see appendix for projects; Dutch Chamber of Commerce and Industry nr 30120141 in Utrecht
- 1990-1994 Labour Party Alderman for the municipality of Houten, including Spatial Planning, *VINEX* locations, Social Affairs, Economic Affairs, Monuments, Environment, Traffic and Transport
- 1980-1990 Various policy and management positions for the municipality of Utrecht, including youth affairs, youth work and *DOW* public functions
- 1987-1988 Chairperson of the supervisory group for restructuring the services structure for spatial planning, public works and housing in Utrecht [*ROVU*]
- 1985-1986 Member of the steering committee for *Hogeschool Midden Nederland* college (a merger with Utrecht University of Applied Sciences)
- 1975-1980 Social cultural youth worker in a neighbourhood in Leiden

Social positions include:

- 1979-1986 Chairperson of the board for the higher vocational course, De Jelburg in Baarn
- 1986-1998 Board member, co-founder of *Hogeschool Midden Nederland* in Utrecht (vice chairman)
- 1986-1998 Chairperson of the Institute for European-Latin American Relations
- 1988-2000 Co-founder/member of Houten 4 May committee
- 1988-1990 Chairperson of *MC*, Department of Public Works in Utrecht (*ABVA KABO*)
- 1990-present Co-founder/board member of the International Tree Fund (rural projects mainly in Latin America, chairperson since 2001)
- 1994-2003 Board member/treasurer of Mesa Cosa-Olympos (foundation of Utrecht students sports, University of Utrecht and Utrecht University of Applied Sciences)
- 1994-1998 Member of dike board *Hoogheemraadschap De Stichtse Rijnlanden*
- 1999-present Member of professional field committee faculty for Nature and Technology, Utrecht University of Applied Sciences
- 2000-2007 Member of supervisory council of Continu Foundation, Utrecht (now Continu/AXION, elderly care)
- 2002-present Board member of CLAT International Solidarity, Netherlands Division (secretary)
CLAT
- 2009 Board member of PSO Capacity building in Developing countries

Political positions include:

- 1980-1996 Member of Houten Labour Party support council/committee member
- 1989-1996 Labour Party municipal council group
- 1990-1994 Labour Party alderman
- 1994-1996 Chairperson of Houten Labour Party group
- 2002 Labour Party candidate for Lower Chamber elections (popular candidate at the bottom of the party list)
- 2006-present Labour Party social network
- 2009-present Chairperson of Labour Party Centre of Local Administration

Publicity includes:

- Broadcast by *NCRV* network, concerning human rights in Guatemala, 12 April and 23 August 2004
- *Nova Politiek* programme about Lonsdale youth, debate with Michiel Smit and André Rouvoet, 8 April 2005 Lonsdale
- Publication by *Bestuurlijk Netwerk Crisisbeheersing*: 'If it happens anyway, administrative experiences of crises' [*Als het dan toch gebeurt, bestuurlijke ervaringen met crises*']
- Various broadcasts/debates about the Eindhoven mayor's referendum



LEEN VERBEEK

Democracy and human rights while leaving no one behind

The values of the Congress, democracy, human rights and rule of law, are values I truly cherish. It is with these values that we can build peaceful, stable and harmonious societies while celebrating our diversity.

For more than 36 years I have been active in the public administration on local and regional level both as a civil servant and as a politician. I am currently King's Commissioner in the province of Flevoland, the Netherlands. In 2010 I became member of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe.

I see and experience what role local and regional authorities play in involving citizens and groups in society in the decision making process. And I see how we as local and regional authorities and as Congress members can contribute to strengthening democracy in our home countries and throughout Europe.

But as a strong believer in social democratic values such as equality and solidarity I am worried that not everyone in our societies benefits from these core values. This is a form of exclusion and I believe that this is one of the biggest challenges not only Europe but the entire world is currently facing.

We need to work on strengthening our institutions but especially on fostering a culture of social, political and economic inclusion.



And it is in particular on the local and regional scale and through the Congress that we can work on this.

As a Congress member and with my passion and experience I am extremely motivated to achieve these goals together with you. And with you I will also commit myself to strengthening the Congress as a voice of more than 200.000 local and regional authorities in Europe.

Together, all aboard in the 47 Member States, we are up to the challenges in our societies and we are not leaving anyone behind!



CURRICULUM VITAE LEEN VERBEEK

Name: Leen Verbeek
Place and date of birth: 5 March 1954 in Leiderdorp (the Netherlands)

Council of Europe experience:

2010 - present **Vice-President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe (CLRAE)**
Member of the Bureau of the CLRAE.
Vice-President of the Socialist Group of the CLRAE
Vice-President of the Chamber of Regions of the (CLRAE).
Head of the Dutch delegation to the Congress (CLRAE).
Full member of the Council of Europe's Congress of Local and Regional Authorities
Full member of the Monitoring Committee:
Co-rapporteur Local and Regional Democracy in Spain (2012/2013), Slovak Republic (2015), Estonia (2016) Turkey (2017) and thematic spokesperson for the strategy against radicalisation on grassroots level (2015)

Work experience:

2008 - present **King's Commissioner in the Province of Flevoland.**
- A King's Commissioner is appointed by the King and is both chairperson of the provincial parliament of the province of Flevoland and president of the executive board of the province. Since his position is politically neutral, he is expected to offer a general perspective on the policies of this regional government. In combining these two roles, he is able to provide a certain continuity and balance in policy. In June 2014 Leen Verbeek was reappointed for a second term of six years on the recommendation of the provincial parliament.
- The King's Commissioner also advises the Ministry of Interior on the appointment of mayors. He visits towns and cities in his province in order to keep himself informed concerning local issues. He is a public figure who represents the province on public and/or official occasions. And He defends Flevoland's interests on a local, regional, national and international level.

2003 - 2008 **Mayor of the town of Purmerend**
Member of the administrative board of the Amsterdam Municipal Region (portfolios for Finance and Public Transport).

1994 - 2003 **Verbeek Interim Management & Consultancy bv.**

1990 - 1994 **Labour Party Alderman for the municipality of Houten.**

Relevant additional functions:

- President of the Delta Metropolis Association (including Amsterdam, The Hague, Rotterdam and Utrecht);
- Chair of the Committee of recommendation of Amnesty International, department Almere;
- Co-founder and chair of the International Tree Fund (rural projects in Latin America).