

Secretaries General and Directors Meeting

23-24 October 2025

Draft agenda

Venue: Metropol Palace Hotel, Bulevar kralja Aleksandra 69, Belgrade.

Interpretation: EN-FR

Thursday, 23 October 2025

Meeting link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81763476990?pwd=MPBxZYbjohQkaINpEgMpzy4rRRk6bj.1>

Meeting passcode: 856468

13:00 Lunch

14:00 Opening of the Secretaries General and Directors meeting – Day I

Welcome speech by SKGO President (tbc) and Mayor of Belgrade (tbc).

1. Adoption of the draft agenda
2. Update from the CEMR Secretary General: An overview of current European challenges and opportunities for the next mandate 2026-2028.
3. Statutory affairs
 - 3.1. Approval of the draft list of decisions of the last Secretaries General and Directors meeting (Online, 8 April 2025).
 - 3.2. Presentation of the CEMR Leaders' Summit draft agenda (Malta, 4-5 December 2025).
 - 3.3. Presentation of CEMR elections and Spokesperson positions for the mandate 2026-2028.
4. Finance and administration
 - 4.1. CEMR financial situation on 30.08.2025.
 - 4.2. Presentation of 2026 draft budget.

15:30 Coffee break

5. Institutional Affairs

5.1. Update on advocacy activities in Q4 2025.

5.2. Presentation of the key findings from the CEMR members consultation and the next steps on the CEMR multi-annual work plan.

17:30 **End of the day**

19:00 Dinner with Central European Initiative Forum participants (tbc).

Friday, 24 October 2025

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09:30 **Registration**

10:00 **Secretaries General and Directors meeting – Day II**

6. General affairs

6.1. CEMR Communications strategy.

6.2. Global engagement activities (PLATFORMA).

6.3. UCLG activities.

6.4. Calendar of activities.

11:30 **Coffee break**

7. Thematic work

7.1. Society

Presentation of the draft position paper on migration; Presentation of Twinning and Partnership Building programme; Presentation of Bridges of Trust programme (Phase III).

7.2. Labour

Presentation of LRG-Social Dialogue Capacity Building (LAB).

7.3. Climate

Presentation of the position paper on climate adaptation; Presentation of Living in the EU project.

8. Any other business

12:30 **End of the meeting and lunch**

14:00 City tour (tbc).