





The President

Letter addressed to the heads of national delegations to the Congress

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Dear head of delegation,

It is once again time to launch a <u>call for applications</u> for youth delegates from all 46 member States wishing to take part in the Congress's "Rejuvenating Politics" initiative. This highly successful initiative, which celebrated its 10th anniversary in 2024, entails participating in the two Congress sessions in 2025 and creating and implementing a grassroots project at home.

As you know, through this initiative we aim to create a space for dialogue between the youth delegates and local and regional elected representatives and to enable young people to express their views on the issues debated within the Congress.

In 2025, as every year, we would like to achieve a full quota of youth delegates (one per Member State). Therefore, I count on you as head of delegation as well as all the members of the delegation, to raise awareness of this opportunity and distribute as widely as possible the Congress's call for applications to young people in your country who may be interested in taking part in the programme in 2025, in accordance with the selection criteria.

Please note that applicants should complete the online form **by 31 December 2024**. Applications will only be accepted via the official online form and the decision of the selection panel will be final.

As always, once the youth delegate in respect of your country has been selected, you will be notified in writing and given their contact details. I thank you in advance for establishing contact with them and welcoming them, ensuring that they feel like an integral part of your delegation.

For any further information about this activity, please contact congress.youth@coe.int.

Yours faithfully,

**Marc Cools** 

Cc: Delegation secretaries Encl.: Call for applications