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DIGITAL LITERACY: WHY IT MATTERS FOR REPRESENTATIVE DEMOCRACY

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Friday 16 June

16:00 (GMT Lisbon)
Departure from the hotels by bus

16:30-17:10
Opening session
FROM ATHENS TO LISBON — MAIN ACHIEVEMENTS AND LESSONS LEARNT FROM THE INAUGURAL CONFERENCE "DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES" AND THE STAKES FOR REPRESENTATIVE DEMOCRACY

Alexandre Quintanilha, Chair of the Parliamentary Committee on Education and Science, Assembleia da República of Portugal

Maria Manuel Leitão Marques, Member of the European Parliament

Evanthis Hatzivassiliou, Professor of Contemporary History, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens; Secretary-General, Hellenic Parliament Foundation

17:15-18:00
DIGITAL LITERACY: WHY IT MATTERS FOR REPRESENTATIVE DEMOCRACY
Keynote address by **Andy Helliwell**, Chief Operating Officer (via videoconference), and **Libby Kurien**, Programme Director, Transforming Digital, Parliamentary Digital Service, UK Parliament

18:00-18:30
Short guided tour of the Parliament

18:30-19:15
Welcome address
Augusto Santos Silva, President of the Assembleia da República of Portugal

19:30
Dinner hosted by the President of the Assembleia da República of Portugal

Saturday 17 June

08:45 (GMT Lisbon)
Departure from the hotels by bus

09:15-10:30
THE ROLE OF PARLIAMENTS IN PROMOTING DIGITAL, DEMOCRATIC AND PARTICIPATORY LITERACY, INCLUDING OUTREACH TO THE YOUTH
Moderator: **Bruno Dias Pinheiro**, Permanent Member of the COSAC Secretariat

Susanne Janistyn-Novák, Deputy Secretary General of the Parliamentary Administration, Republic of Austria
DEMOCRATIC AND PARTICIPATORY LITERACY THROUGH CIVIC PARTICIPATION: THE VISITOR CENTRE AND DEMOCRACY WORKSHOP OF THE AUSTRIAN PARLIAMENT AND THE DIGITAL REVIEW PROCEDURE OF AUSTRIA'S LEGISLATION

Eduardo Alves, Member of the Assembleia da República of Portugal; Coordinator of the Working Group – Young People's Parliament Programme

María López, Director for International Relations, Spanish Congress of Deputies
PROMOTING DIGITAL AND PARTICIPATORY LITERACY TO FIGHT DISINFORMATION IN A DIGITAL ERA

Maria Kamilaki, Acting Director-General for Electronic Administration, Library and Publications, Hellenic Parliament
THE HELLENIC PARLIAMENT LIBRARY AS A PARTICIPATORY SPACE FOR NON-FORMAL EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING: CURRENT PRACTICES AND FUTURE CHALLENGES

10:30-11:00
Coffee Break

11:00-12:30
INCREASING CIVIC PARTICIPATION THROUGH TECHNOLOGY? PROXIMITY TO INSTITUTIONS, THE IMPACT OF SOCIAL MEDIA AND HOW TO REACH OUT TO CITIZENS — BEST PRACTICES
Moderator: **Achilles C. Emilianides**, Professor, Dean of the School of Law, University of Nicosia

Rosario Rodríguez, Director of Communication, Spanish Congress of Deputies
OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES OF THE DIGITAL ENVIRONMENT: SOCIAL MEDIA, PARTICIPATION AND TRANSPARENCY. THE MODEL OF A PARLIAMENTARY JOURNALISM, WITHIN THE INSTITUTIONAL COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

Paulo Pena, Journalist, Investigate Europe consortium
CLICKBAIT – JOURNALISM IN TIMES OF DIGITAL POLARISATION

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Triinu Põdramägi, Adviser at the Legal and Research Department, Parliament of Estonia
INCREASING CIVIC PARTICIPATION THROUGH TECHNOLOGY IN ESTONIA

Giovanni Rizzoni, Head of the Research Department, Italian Chamber of Deputies
HOW TO REACH OUT TO CITIZENS: THE EXPERIENCE OF THE CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES

Ismini Kriari, Emeritus Professor of Constitutional Law, Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences, Athens; Member of the Executive Committee, Hellenic Parliament Foundation
CIVIC PARTICIPATION AND TECHNOLOGY: OPTIONS AND CHALLENGES FOR TODAY'S AND TOMORROW'S SOCIETIES

12:30-14:00
Lunch Break

14:15-15:45
THE CHALLENGES FOR DEMOCRACY — FROM CYBER SECURITY TO THE IMPACT OF DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES ON PARLIAMENTARY WORK
Moderator: **Rosario Rodríguez**, Director of Communication, Spanish Congress of Deputies

Mark Harbord, Director of Cyber Security, UK Parliament

Vânia Neto, Education Skills & Learning Lead for Western Europe, Microsoft

Hugo Martins de Carvalho, Member of the Assembleia da República of Portugal

Achilles C. Emilianides, Professor, Dean of the School of Law, University of Nicosia
CAN THE IMPACT OF DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES ON PARLIAMENTARY WORK BE DISASSOCIATED FROM SOCIAL NORMS?

Luis Miranda, Head of the Department for Plenary Sittings, Spanish Congress of Deputies; Professor of Constitutional Law, Carlos III University
THE CONSEQUENCES OF DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES ON PARLIAMENTARY WORK, A MUTATION OF PARLIAMENTARISM?

15:45-16:00
Coffee Break

16:00-17:45
THE CHALLENGES FOR DEMOCRACY — ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE: RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES
Moderator: **Libby Kurien**, Programme Director, Transforming Digital, Parliamentary Digital Service, UK Parliament

Gonçalo Caseiro, Former President of Imprensa Nacional — Casa da Moeda [Official Printing Office — Portuguese Mint]

Daniela Braga, Founder and CEO, Defined.ai
(via videoconference)

Fakhreddine Aouadi, Head of Unit, Innovation, Intranets and Digital Solutions Unit, Directorate-General for Innovation and Technological Support, European Parliament
UNLEASHING POTENTIAL WITH ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND INNOVATION

Marlene Erll, Analysis and Research Team — General Secretariat, Council of the European Union
Presentation of the Council Research Paper
CHATGPT IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR — OVERHYPED OR OVERLOOKED?

Susana Sargento, Professor at the University of Aveiro; Researcher at Instituto de Telecomunicações [Telecommunications Institute]

Bruno Aragão, Member of the Assembleia da República of Portugal

17:55-19:15
ROUND TABLE
Moderator: **Alexandre Quintanilha**, Chair of the Parliamentary Committee on Education and Science, Assembleia da República of Portugal

Mário Campolargo, Secretary of State for Digitalisation and Administrative Modernisation, Portuguese Government

Maria da Graça Carvalho, Member of the European Parliament

Christian Hafenecker, Chair of the Committee for Research, Innovation and Digitalisation, Austrian Parliament

Joana Gonçalves de Sá, Principal Investigator, SPAC — Social Physics & Complexity Lab

Sofia Moreira de Sousa, Representative of the European Commission in Portugal

Matas Maldeikis, Deputy Chair of the Committee for the Future, Lithuanian Seimas; Host of the Global Parliamentary Congress "The Future of the World"

19:30
Departure from the Parliament to the dinner venue by bus

19:45
Dinner