

*The President*

**Letter addressed to the heads of  
national delegations to the  
Congress**

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Dear head of delegation,

The Bureau wishes to continue to build on the success of its “Rejuvenating politics” initiative and will continue to invite youth delegates to participate in the Congress sessions in 2020 and to create grass-roots projects back 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 being debated.

I hope that in 2020 we will achieve a full quota of youth delegates (one per member State) so 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 the link to the Congress’ call for applications (which I enclose here for your information: [Call for applications](#)) to all young people in your country who may be interested in taking part in the 2020 sessions, in accordance with the selection criteria.

Please note, applicants should complete the online form by **3 January 2020**, 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 for your country has been selected, you will be notified in writing and given their contact details. I know that you will make sure that he or she will be welcomed and made to feel an integral part of your delegation.

Yours faithfully,



**Anders Knappe**

cc. Deputy heads of national delegations  
Delegation secretaries  
National associations of local and regional authorities