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Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

Progress report

Bureau of the Assembly

1. Report of the Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights

The Committee held a meeting by videoconference on 15 January 2021 with Mr Volker Ullrich (Germany, EPP/CD), in the Chair.

2. Introduction

The Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights assessed the lists of the candidates to the Court in respect of Switzerland and Greece.¹

3. Conclusions of the Committee on the lists of candidates submitted by Switzerland and Greece

Switzerland

The Committee interviewed all the candidates on 15 January 2021.

The Committee recommends to the Assembly, by an overwhelming majority, Mr Andreas Zünd as the most qualified candidate.

Greece

The Committee interviewed all the candidates on 15 January 2021.

The Committee recommends to the Assembly, by a clear majority, Mr Ioannis Ktistakis as the most qualified candidate.

1. See Appendix 1 for the lists of candidates submitted by the Governments concerned. The full lists and curricula vitae of candidates can be found in Assembly documents: [Doc. 15153](#) (Switzerland) and [Doc. 15187](#) (Greece).



Appendix 1 – Lists of candidates submitted by the Governments of Switzerland and Greece

Switzerland

- Ms Marianne RYTER
- Mr Nicolas von WERDT
- Mr Andreas ZÜND

Greece

- Mr Ioannis KTISTAKIS
- Ms Photini PAZARTZIS
- Mr Michail PIKRAMENOS

Appendix 2 – Members of the Committee who participated in the meeting²

Group of the European People's Party (EPP/CD)

- Mr Jason AZZOPARDI, Malta
- Mr Aleksander POCIEJ, Poland
- Mr Evripidis STYLIANIDIS, Greece
- Mr Attila TILKI, Hungary
- Mr Volker ULLRICH, Chairperson, Germany
- Mr Vladimir VARDANYAN, Armenia
- Mr Sergiy VLASENKO, Ukraine

Socialists, Democrats and Greens Group (SOC)

- Ms Margreet De BOER, Netherlands
- Ms Klotilda BUSHKA, Albania
- Mr Titus CORLĂȚEAN, 2nd Vice-Chairperson, Romania
- Mr Constantinos EFSTATHIOU, Cyprus
- Mr Irakli KOBAKHIDZE, Georgia

Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE)

- Mr Dimitri HOUBRON, France
- Ms Stephanie KRISPER, Austria
- Mr Edmon MARUKYAN, Armenia

European Conservatives Group and Democratic Alliance (EC/DA)

- Sir Christopher CHOPE, United Kingdom
- Mr Serhii KALCHENKO, Ukraine
- Mr Morten MESSERSCHMIDT, Denmark
- Mr Arkadiusz MULARCZYK, Poland

Group of the Unified European Left (UEL)

- Mr Georgios KATROUGKALOS, Greece

Ex Officio

- Ms Petra BAYR, Chairperson of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination, Austria
- Mr Boriss CILEVIČS, Chairperson of the Committee on Legal Affairs and Human Rights, Latvia

Secretariat of the Parliamentary Assembly

- Mr Wojciech SAWICKI, Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly
- Mr Günter SCHIRMER, Head of the Secretariat

2. Not all members of the Committee participated in all votes.