



Proposition to the meeting of the extraordinary General Assembly of the Central European Service for Cross-border Initiatives on 29 November 2021

1. agenda: Report on the Strasbourg Declaration, adoption of a decision in support of the declaration

The General Assembly of CESCI declared its intention to join the European Cross-Border Citizens' Alliance by Resolution No. 17/2020 (IX. 14.) and authorized the Chairman to sign the founding declaration of the Association.

The members of the formed association launched an online consultation in the summer of 2020, which was joined by more than 600 individuals and organizations living along the border. The results of the consultation were summarized in a **resolution** adopted by the European Committee of the Regions on 1 July 2021. The resolution proposes concrete interventions for the future of cross-border cooperation in the European Union.

In order to achieve the objectives set out in the resolution, the three associations that played an active role in setting up the Alliance decided to work even more closely together and to act in a coordinated manner to safeguard the 50-year European acquis on the borders. In this sense, the **Strasbourg Declaration** was signed on 7 October 2021 at the Council of Europe (CoE) building (the text of the Declaration is available in English and French on the CESCI website and in Hungarian as a supplement to this proposition).

Dr. Zsuzsanna Fejes, Vice-President, and Gyula Ocskay, Secretary General, represented the CESCI at the event.

The declaration was prepared and signed between the two general assemblies of the CESCI and has not been tabled on the agenda so far.

As the content of the declaration is in line with the activities of the European Cross-Border Citizens' Alliance supported by the General Assembly, I ask the Honorable Assembly to support, with its subsequent approval, the signing of the declaration and the participation of the association in its implementation.

Dr. Tamás Tóth Chairman



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The General Assembly of the Central European Service for Cross-border Initiativese subsequently approves the signing of the Strasbourg Declaration, as well as authorizes CESCI to participate in the cooperation under the Declaration as required.

<u>Deadline:</u> for content and signatures immediately or for collaboration on schedule

Official responsible: Chairman