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Introduction



“Together in Hope and Witness” is the main theme the Governing Board of the Conference of European Churches (CEC) adopted to direct CEC’s Strategic Plan for 2019–2023. This theme evokes the fundamental principles that have guided CEC over its 60-year history. These principles include the deepening of inter-church relations, ecumenical cooperation in Europe, and the desire to be a witness to the Gospel. These principles are not only realised by preaching how Christ reconciles the world with peace and justice, but also by strengthening the presence and voice of the Church in the heart of society and in response to global challenges.

Since CEC was founded in 1959, it has worked tirelessly to promote peace and reconciliation in a Europe wounded and devastated by two world wars. Given the many deep and ongoing societal changes in the 21st century, the presence and voice of the churches are more necessary than ever for European institutions seeking to reform.

CEC aims to highlight churches’ voice and makes it audible amidst the clamour in the world. To strengthen this work and to better define the profile of CEC, the Governing Board decided to benefit from working together with a new general secretary.

In 2019, we celebrated CEC’s 60th anniversary during a Governing Board meeting with an event held at the premises of the Council of Europe in Strasbourg. While commemorating our history, we realised how European reconciliation had transpired even before the establishment of the European Union. We also celebrated CEC’s 60th anniversary at the Peace Conference in Paris in the presence of the vice-presidents of the German Bundestag and the French National Assembly.

In 2019, we continued to deepen our cooperation with our partner bodies in the Catholic Church, such as Commission of the Bishops’ Conferences of the European Union (COMECE) and Council of European Bishops’ Conferences (CCEE), as part of our efforts to strengthen the voice of the churches within European institutions. In this way, CEC honours the spirit of the Charta Œcumenica, which calls on us to work together and speak with one voice, wherever possible.

The year 2021 will mark the 20th anniversary of the Charta and will offer European Christians an opportunity to affirm their commitment to this cooperation.

This report describes the activities that exemplify CEC’s mission.

I hope you enjoy reading and I thank you for your interest.

Introduction



The Novi Sad General Assembly of the Conference of European Churches in 2018 gave a strategic framework for the CEC Governing Board in 2019 - 2023, focusing on:

- promoting peace, justice and reconciliation in Europe
- strengthening ecumenical fellowship and promoting the mission of the Church
- raising churches’ voice in Europe and the European Institutions

These areas of work are bold visions for a 60-year-old organisation with a rugged history. However, they show a will to act together as churches of various traditions in a European continent that calls for Christian commitment. Both on a local grassroots level and in the European institutions.

Europe’s churches are present and active at all levels of society, ready to play their particular role. In an ecumenical spirit, CEC continues to nurture a shared calling, a common destiny and a solid fellowship among churches, engaging with European society and the European Institutions.

The CEC Annual Report 2019 reflects a time characterised by both organisational and societal changes and challenges. The year marked the 60th anniversary since the establishment of CEC as an instrument of peace and reconciliation. The Peace Conference in Paris celebrated this heritage.

But the work of CEC in 2019 reflects the very concrete challenges facing us today: issues of migration, human rights, bioethics and care for the environment – all correlated to theological reflection, spiritual deliberation and heritage, and rooted in the 114 Member Churches throughout Europe.

In 2019, the initial steps towards fleshing out these strategies of the CEC Assembly were taken by the dedicated staff members in Brussels and Strasbourg, a devoted Governing Board and committed Member Churches, whose continued support is critical for reaching our common goals.

It is my hope that you will find the 2019 Annual Report both interesting and inspiring.

Yours in Christ,

Promoting peace, justice



and reconciliation in Europe

60 years of CEC: Paris Peace Conference 2019

Peace and reconciliation constitute founding values of CEC. After its creation in 1959, the regional ecumenical organisation brought together churches from across Eastern and Western Europe following World War II. Together they joined hands to become instruments of peace to overcome political division and fragmentation.

To mark this occasion, CEC held a Peace Conference in Paris on its 60th anniversary in 2019. The conference explored the legacies of the 1919 Paris Peace Conference, recollecting hard lessons learnt from the past, while seeking new and creative ways of peacebuilding in the 21st century.

Panels and seminars at the conference discussed peace from various perspectives. Speakers from diverse Christian confessions, as well as Jewish and Islamic traditions, reflected together on the theme, evaluating the impact of the Versailles peace treaties.

The conference identified current threats to peace in Europe, articulating the special role of the churches and faith-based communities in addressing these threats. In doing so, participants highlighted the unique role and work of CEC as a regional peace-building ecumenical organisation.

The themes focused on the West's legacy in the Middle East, populism, sustainability and economics, keys to interfaith engagement and the strengthening of the peacebuilding praxis of faith communities. The conference stressed the significance of the Abrahamic religions and dialogue for peace, as well as Europe's peace vocation and its role in promoting security and stability. The conference identified theological perspectives encouraging CEC Member Churches to engage in transformation, healing and reconciliation.

Contributions to the Peace Conference are available on the CEC website.

"Learning from the past,
working together
for peace"

Strengthening ecumenical fellowship

and promoting the mission of the Church

Ecclesiology and Mission is one of the core areas of CEC's work. In 2019, CEC focused on dialogue between churches with historical longevity, and "migrant" and "minority ethnic" churches, based on the biblical vision of the Church as *koinonia*. This theme was explored by ecumenical officers and secretaries for theology at a CEC meeting in Finland.

The meeting underscored crucial topics for CEC's work programme, such as the Church's mission in a secular or post-Christian society; Church identity, its association with nationality, ethnicity and impact on ecumenical relationships, and the need for ecumenical theological education and formation.

The participants offered reflections on contextualization and identity of migrant churches, discussing migration as an ecclesiological opportunity in light of current developments in the global dialogue facilitated by the World Council of Churches Faith and Order Commission. Updates were shared on preparations of the World Council of Churches 11th Assembly, devising ways in which churches in Europe could contribute.

Theologians explored migration and global citizenship in a CEC panel at the 2019 European Academy of Religion Conference. The panel discussed Christian identity and citizenship, the nature and consequences of the conversion of refugees, and gender and migration with an emphasis on stories of people fleeing violence and persecution.

The year witnessed the strengthening of relations between CEC and the Council of European Bishops' Conferences of Europe (CCEE). In a consultation in Brussels, the CEC-CCEE Joint Committee re-affirmed their commitment to addressing Europe's challenges, inspired by the biblical premise of Isaiah 51:9, "Awake, awake, put on strength!". The committee explored the rise of exclusionary populism and the churches' responses, and discussed possibilities for further cooperation with regard to the Charta Oecumenica.

A CEC-CCEE joint message on the occasion of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity delved deeper into the theme "Justice and only justice you shall pursue." Affirming the year's reflections from the churches in Indonesia, CEC-CCEE expressed solidarity with people in Indonesia and throughout the world in cultivating harmony, promoting justice and protecting the weak.

Isaiah 51:9 "Awake, awake, put on strength!"



Raising churches' voice in Europe

CEC's presence in Brussels and Strasbourg allows European churches to to maintain a **Dialogue with European Institutions**, including the European Union and the Council of Europe. Through open, regular and transparent dialogue, CEC monitors, advocates and builds partnerships to influence policies.

On Europe Day on 9 May, the CEC leadership addressed European leaders gathered at the EU Future of Europe Summit in Sibiu, Romania. Leaders used the opportunity to affirm common values shaping Europe's future, bringing together European nations for lasting peace.

Europe: It's OUR future was the vision behind CEC and the Churches' Commission for Migrants in Europe (CCME) campaign that developed tools to encourage strong church engagement in the 2019 European Parliament elections. The tools addressed concerns about EU shared values, the future of the EU, migration and refugees, climate change and sustainable development, a European social model and future of work, human rights, and creating a more equal and inclusive Europe.

In 2019, continuing with the Church-EU Dialogue, CEC met with the Finnish EU Presidency in Helsinki together with the Catholic Commission of the Bishops' Conferences of the European Union (COMECE). On the basis of Article 17 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU (TFEU), CEC and COMECE shared reflections on strengthening common values and the rule of law: cornerstones of EU action, a competitive and socially inclusive EU, climate action, serving integral human development, and comprehensive security and migration.

A delegation of CEC, COMECE and the Committee of Representatives of Orthodox Churches to the European Union (CROCEU) met with Teodor-Viorel Meleşcanu, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Romania in Bucharest, to discuss priorities of the Romanian Presidency of the EU Council. The dialogue initiated by Article 17 of the TFEU stressed the importance of putting people at the center of increasingly digitalised societies, issues of security, environmental concerns, religious literacy and education.



"Europe:
It's OUR future!"

and the European Institutions

"Strengthening
common values
and the rule of law"



CEC holds participatory status at the Council of Europe, the continent's leading human rights organisation. The topics of focus were bioethics, democratic citizenship, social affairs and freedom of religion and belief. Through its presence in Strasbourg, CEC engaged with the European Court of Human Rights, Council of Europe's Steering Committee for Human Rights, Steering Committee for Educational Policy and Practice, Committee on Bioethics and the Conference of International NGOs.

Throughout 2019, CEC continued to accompany its Member Churches in the United Kingdom amid the "Brexit" debate. In this context, in a special message the CEC Presidency strongly "reaffirmed the bonds of ecclesial and ecumenical fellowship that unite churches across Europe".



Raising churches' voice in Europe

Protecting and promoting **Human Rights** remains a priority for CEC. The publication, Religious Diversity in Europe and the Rights of Religious Minorities, upholds this direction. Produced with Globethics.net, the book examines the rights of minority churches in Europe, which make up a large proportion of the CEC constituency. The publication was presented at the Council of Europe.

Human Rights, Religious Freedom and Faces of Faith is the second volume in a series entitled Human Rights Manual for European Churches. The book addresses religious freedom in Europe, the Middle East, Africa and Asia, and includes chapters on disability and the rights of indigenous peoples and women.

Promoting the fundamental right to freedom of religion or belief in Montenegro was central to the CEC conference in Podgorica, questioning the Montenegrin draft law on freedom of religion adopted in December 2019 and entered into force the following month. The conference urged the Montenegrin government to refrain from unilaterally passing such a law and encouraged it to engage in constructive dialogue with churches and religious communities to protect fundamental rights and freedoms of all communities in Montenegrin society as it pursues its path towards joining the EU.

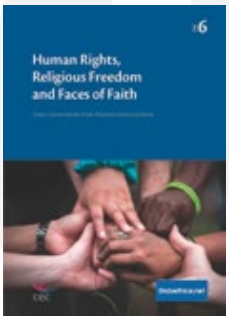
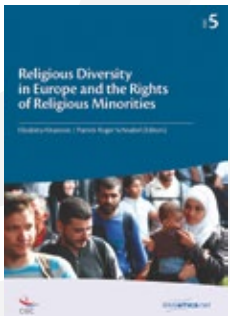


and the European Institutions



The 6th Summer School on Human Rights in Lisbon, Portugal, tackled the issue of freedom of expression in a time of rising populism. Over 60 participants from diverse national, ethnic and religious backgrounds came together to study ways of promoting freedom of expression, while dealing with hate speech and hate crime, especially in religious contexts. Related materials from the school are available on CEC website.

The CEC conference in Malaga focused on issues of populism and human rights, forming a common understanding of how European church actors can counter negative effects of populist discourse and work together for cohesion and tolerance. Over 40 participants from various churches and religious communities produced the communique Have Hope Not Fear!, responses to populism from a religious and human rights perspective.



"European church actors can counter negative effects of populist discourse"



Raising churches' voice in Europe

Using the European Christian Environmental Network (ECEN), CEC continues to promote **Care for Creation, Concern for Climate Change and Sustainable Development**.

CEC delegates one executive staff member to coordinate the work of ECEN.

The Churches' Contribution to a Sustainable Society Conference, organised by ECEN and the Church of Norway in Oslo (the European Green Capital 2019) explored how churches can be agents of change for a more sustainable society, responding to the Paris climate agreement and the UN sustainable development goals. Churches were urged to take action and to speak against injustice, choosing the side of the poor, the oppressed and youth, while calling for a sustainable future.

An ECEN delegation visited Belarus to strengthen networking and to share information on actions of local churches on care for creation. The visit reinforced ECEN communication with the Belarussian churches, whereupon they learnt about the richness of church activities in caring for creation, sharing expressions of solidarity, and discussing possibilities for future cooperation.

CEC and ECEN supported the 6th International Conference on Ecological Theology and Environmental Ethics, at the Orthodox Academy of Crete, under the auspices of Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew. Theological discussions and practical experiences shared at the conference contributed to the efforts in addressing climate change by faith communities in particular.

Led by the World Council of Churches, with ecumenical partners and faith communities, CEC contributed to the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP25) in Madrid. The Christian duty to care for creation and support those suffering from climate change was affirmed, stressing that the vulnerable can never be detached from our understanding of the Gospel.



and the European Institutions

The essence of humanity and human life lies at the heart of CEC's work on **Bioethics**. In order to raise the voice of European churches in its public discourses, CEC offers ethical perspectives in dialogue with the European institutions, particularly the Council of Europe.

CEC published a strong statement entitled Moral and Ethical Issues in Human Genome Editing with Globethics.net. The statement offers perspectives on the issue, with a concern for all people as individuals and for society. It challenges the aforementioned techniques and stresses the necessity for strong guidelines.

By issuing a response to the Draft Ethics guidelines for Trustworthy AI, CEC contributed to a consultation process on Artificial Intelligence (AI) initiated by the European Commission together with other faith-based stakeholders. The response highlights the role and concerns of European churches. The draft of the AI Ethics Guidelines had been presented by the European Commission's High-Level Expert Group on Artificial Intelligence in 2018.



"Churches as agents of change
for a more sustainable society"

Raising churches' voice in Europe

CEC supports and works closely with the **Churches' Commission for Migrants in Europe (CCME)** to realise hope and show Christian witness in addressing **Migration and Asylum** issues. In 2019, CCME continued to strongly advocate for refugee protection. Representing diverse Christian and ecumenical organisations across Europe, CCME contributed with recommendations to the European Commission's Return Directive.

In response to the CEC-CCME call issued on World Refugee Day, European churches held services commemorating refugees and migrants who lost their lives on their way to safety in Europe.

For many years, CCME has consistently advocated for safe and legal passage for persons seeking international protection at European borders and realistic, human labour migration policies. In 2019, CCME member organisations and churches met in Berlin to further develop strategies on search and rescue, humanitarian corridors and relocation.

The year also witnessed disappointment over the failure of EU Ministers of Interior in their Helsinki meeting to find an agreement on search and rescue in the Mediterranean. CEC, CCME and ACT Alliance EU produced a letter calling for the ministers to create safe and regular pathways, search and rescue and fair sharing of responsibility. In another joint letter, CEC and CCME urged Ursula von der Leyen, President of the European Commission, Charles Michel, President of the European Council, and David Sassoli, President of the European Parliament, to accept their mandate to manifest solidarity, responsibility and leadership in European asylum and migration policy.

CCME and its members called on Nordic and Baltic countries to get involved in European disembarkation and relocation arrangements. In a joint letter, CCME argued that a "boat-by-boat" approach in the Mediterranean did not provide clarity and predictability on where boats carrying rescued passengers can dock. The letter also suggested reforms in the Dublin III Regulation, urging shared responsibility between European states in preventing humanitarian crises, appreciating the Malta Declaration, and reminding governments to act in cooperative solidarity.

"CCME has consistently advocated for safe and legal passage for persons seeking international protection at European borders"



and the European Institutions



CEC Communications has continued to provide **visibility to the impact of CEC's work**. To address pressing issues in the field of communications, together with the World Association for Christian Communication (WACC) Europe, CEC hosted a seminar in Finland entitled "What makes us so angry? Hate speech, fake news, and communication rights". Christian communicators from across Europe explored the theme in the context of a communication rights framework for the digital world, sharing case studies and strategies to address hate speech and disinformation.

CEC also published a handbook titled CEC Member Churches featuring its 114 Member Churches spread across 40 countries of Europe. The publication was the result of an initiative of the Armenian Apostolic Church and was produced for the benefit of CEC Member Churches.



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Orthodox Autocephalous Church of Albania

Armenia
Armenian Apostolic Church

Austria
Evangelical Church of the Augsburg Confession in Austria
Evangelical Church H.C. in Austria
Old-Catholic Church of Austria
United Methodist Church in Austria

Belgium
United Protestant Church in Belgium

Bulgaria
Pentecostal Assemblies of Bulgaria
Union of Evangelical Baptist Churches in Bulgaria
United Methodist Church in Bulgaria

Croatia
Baptist Union of Croatia
Church of God in Croatia
Evangelical Church in the Republic of Croatia
Evangelical Pentecostal Church in Croatia
Reformed Christian (Calvinist) Church in Croatia

Cyprus
Church of Cyprus

Czechia
Czechoslovak Hussite Church
Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren
Old-Catholic Church in the Czech Republic
Orthodox Church in the Czech Lands and Slovakia
Silesian Evangelical Church of the Augsburg Confession in the Czech Republic
United Methodist Church in the Czech Republic

Denmark
Baptist Union of Denmark
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark
Estonia
Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church
Orthodox Church of Estonia

Finland
Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland
Orthodox Church of Finland

Estonia
Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church
Orthodox Church of Estonia

France
Federation of Evangelical Baptist Churches of France
Malagasy Protestant Church in France
Union of Protestant Churches in Alsace and Lorraine
United Protestant Church of France

Member Churches

Georgia
Evangelical Baptist Church of Georgia

Germany
Catholic Diocese of the Old-Catholics in Germany
Evangelical Church in Germany
Union of Evangelical Free Churches in Germany (Baptist Union)
United Methodist Church in Germany

Greece
Church of Greece
Evangelical Church of Greece

Hungary
Baptist Union of Hungary
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Hungary
Reformed Church in Hungary
United Methodist Church in Hungary

Iceland
Evangelical Lutheran Church of Iceland

Ireland
Church of Ireland
Methodist Church in Ireland
Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Italy
Christian Evangelical Baptist Union of Italy
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Italy
Evangelical Methodist Church in Italy
Waldensian Church in Italy

Latvia
Evangelical-Lutheran Church of Latvia
Latvian Evangelical Lutheran Church Abroad

Liechtenstein
Evangelical Church in the Principality of Liechtenstein

Lithuania
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Lithuania

Luxembourg
Protestant Churches in Luxembourg

Netherlands
Mennonite Church in the Netherlands
Old-Catholic Church of the Netherlands
Protestant Church in the Netherlands
Remonstrant Church

North Macedonia
United Methodist Church Macedonia

Norway
Church of Norway

Poland
Baptist Union of Poland
Evangelical Church of the Augsburg Confession in Poland
Evangelical Reformed Church in Poland
Old-Catholic Mariavite Church in Poland
Polish Autocephalous Orthodox Church
Polish Catholic Church (Old-Catholic)
United Methodist Church in Poland

Member Churches

Portugal

Evangelical Methodist Church in Portugal
Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Portugal
Lusitanian Catholic Apostolic Evangelical Church

Romania

Evangelical Church of the Augsburg Confession in Romania
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Romania
Reformed Church in Romania (Kiralyhagomellek District)
Romanian Orthodox Church
Transylvanian Reformed Church

Russia

Evangelical-Lutheran Church of Ingria in Russia
Russian Orthodox Church (suspended its membership in 2008)
Union of Evangelical Christians-Baptists of Russia

Serbia

Reformed Christian Church in Serbia
Serbian Orthodox Church
Slovak Evangelical Church of the Augsburg Confession in Serbia
United Methodist Church in Serbia

Slovakia

Evangelical Church of the Augsburg Confession in Slovakia
Orthodox Church in the Czech Lands and Slovakia
Reformed Christian Church in Slovakia

Slovenia

Evangelical Church A.C. in the Republic of Slovenia

Spain

Spanish Evangelical Church
Spanish Reformed Episcopal Church

Sweden

Church of Sweden
Uniting Church in Sweden

Switzerland

Federation of Swiss Protestant Churches
Old-Catholic Church of Switzerland
United Methodist Church in Switzerland

Ukraine

Reformed Church in Transcarpathia

Member Churches

United Kingdom

Baptist Union of Great Britain
Church in Wales
Church of England
Church of Scotland
Congregational Federation
Council of African and Afro-Caribbean Churches UK
Methodist Church in Britain
Presbyterian Church of Wales
Salvation Army – UK Territory and Ireland
The Scottish Episcopal Church
Shiloh United Church of Christ Apostolic Worldwide
United Reformed Church

International Areas

Ecumenical Patriarchate
European Baptist Federation
Federation of Evangelical Lutheran Churches in Russia and other States
Moravian Church – European Continental Province
Salvation Army – International Headquarters
United Methodist Church – Nordic & Baltic Area

National Councils of Churches

- Austria**
Ecumenical Council of Churches in Austria
- Belgium**
Concertation of Christian Churches in Belgium
- Czechia**
Ecumenical Council of Churches in the Czech Republic
- Denmark**
National Council of Churches in Denmark
- Estonia**
Estonian Council of Churches
- Finland**
Finnish Ecumenical Council
- France**
French Protestant Federation
- Germany**
Council of Christian Churches in Germany

National Councils of Churches

- Hungary**
Ecumenical Council of Churches in Hungary
- Ireland**
Irish Council of Churches
- Italy**
Federation of Protestant Churches in Italy
- The Netherlands**
Council of Churches in the Netherlands
- Norway**
Christian Council of Norway
- Poland**
Polish Ecumenical Council
- Portugal**
Portuguese Council of Christian Churches
- Romania**
Ecumenical Association of Churches in Romania
- Slovak Republic**
Ecumenical Council of Churches in Slovakia
- Spain**
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- Sweden**
Christian Council of Sweden
- Switzerland**
National Council of Churches in Switzerland
- United Kingdom**
Action of Churches Together in Scotland
Churches Together in Britain and Ireland
Churches Together in England
Churches Together in Wales

Organisations in Partnership

- Church and Peace
- Churches' Commission for Migrants in Europe
- Conference of European Clergy
- Conference of European University Chaplains
- Ecumenical Forum of European Christian Women
- Eurodiaconia
- European Alliance of YMCAs
- European Forum of Christian Men
- The European YWCAs
- Friends World Committee for Consultation (FWCC) – Europe and Middle East Section (EMES)
- Intereuropean Commission on Church and School
- International Association for Christian Education
- International Prison Chaplains Association – Europe
- Oikosnet Europe
- Protestant and Anglican Network for life-long learning in Europe – EAEE
- Union of Evangelical Free Churches
- World Student Christian Federation (Europe)

Finances

CEC is grateful to Member Churches, which year after year secure the work of the Conference with financial backing in the form of membership contributions. Without this concrete sign of dedication and commitment to common witness, theological dialogue and the work of reconciliation, there would be no Conference of European Churches.

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Through the generous support of Member Churches, individuals, congregations and parishes, and church-related organisations and foundations combined, CEC was able to implement plans and projects in 2019 that would have otherwise been impossible. In total, CEC's asset and liability balance in the year 2019 amounted to 1.506.609 €.

CEC appreciates the ongoing and prayerful support of Member Churches and other organisations.



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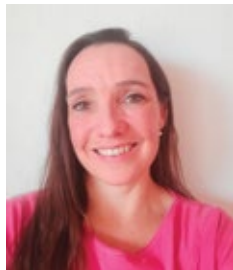
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