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"Peace, security, solidarity and cooperation are prerequisites for prosperity, freedom and justice."



# DR. GUDRUN KUGLER

Candidate for Rapporteur of the Second General Committee on Economic Affairs, Science, Technology and Environment

### A FEW IMPRESSIONS OF MY WORK AT THE OSCE PA



July 2021: talking to a United Nations migration official in Borici Temporary Reception Centre, Bosnia



July 2021: with OSCE Special Representative for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings Val Richey, in Camp Lipa in Bosnia



uly 2021: meeting with members of the Human Rights Committee of the Bosnian Parliament



July 2021: on the road with OSCE PA President Margareta Cederfelt and OSCE PA Special Rapporteur on Arctic Issues



September 2021: with Kazakhstan's Delegation to the OSCE PA and Justice Minister Reketayey



September 2021: meeting with Senior Advisor and Liaison Officer Marco Bonabello, and former OSCE PA Secretary General Lamberto Zannier



October 2021: Parliamentary Web
Dialogue "Framing the Environmental
Security - Public Health Nexus: Science



October 2021: with OSCE PA Vice-President and Special Representative on



October 2021: with Anita Ramasastry Special Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Combating Corruption



# A PARLIAMENTARY PLEA FOR RESOLUTE CLIMATE ACTION

November 2021: letter by the Second Committee leadership sent on the occasion of the 2021 UN Climate Change Conference (COP26)



December 2021: with OSCE PA Special Rapporteur on Disinformation and Propaganda Oscar Mina



January 2022: meeting with OSCE PA Special Representative on Elderly Issues and Italian Vice-President Senator Paola



January 2022: online discussion with MPs and the OSCE Special Representative on Combating Trafficking in Human Beings Val Richev



February 2022: presentation of the outline of the Second Committee's



PA at the OSCE Economic and



February 2022: Second Committee's parliamentary web dialogue on "The Clean Energy Revolution and its



March 2022: at the Polish-Ukrainian border with OSCE Special Representative on Trafficking in Human Beings Val Richey



March 2022: in the asylum shelter on Lesbos, Greece



March 2022: in the asylum shelter on Samos, Greece



border with the OSCE PA



April 2022: with the Ukrainian MP and Vice-Chair of the Second Committee Artur Gerasymov and his wife



April 2022: supply transport with baby ood to Ukraine, in conjunction with an



May 2022: annual Bureau Meeting and presentation of the Second Committee



June 2022: discussion with OSCE PA Special Representative on Civil Society Engagement Kyriakos Hadjiyianni and NGOs representatives

Dear colleagues, dear members of the OSCA PA,

**Thank you** for the kind and open cooperation in the past year, in which I have served as **Rapporteur of the Second Committee!** 

Despite Covid-restrictions a lot could be achieved in the past year: I consulted with experts, institutions, stakeholders and representatives in and around OSCE and OSCE PA. We held numerous meetings, in which many of you participated and shared their expertise and knowledge.

My **report and resolution** are a product of these conversations. Many thanks for your contributions!

At the annual session in Birmingham, I will run again for the position of Rapporteur of the Second Committee. May I ask you to consider to support my candidacy?

#### My personal key objectives as Rapporteur of the Second Committee are:

- to work towards peace to enhance security, economy and environmental protection;
- to keep working on pre-pandemic threats while we focus on sustainable economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic;
- to contribute to combating environmental pollution, e.g. through micro- and nano plastic particles, and ensuring food and water security across the OSCE region, especially against the backdrop of climate change and conflict;
- to strengthen economy and the region's independence through strategic cooperation, diversification and energy transition;
- to leave no one behind and combat new forms of poverty while furthering energy transition;
- to find responses to the demographic changes in the OSCE region;
- to foster a strong science-policy interface in order to do justice to the interlinkage between environmental degradation and security;
- to respond to digitalisation, artificial intelligence and new technologies as a common challenge;
- to stay focussed on combating corruption and supporting good governance, thereby respecting the ownership of the people.

I am looking forward to seeing you in Birmingham!

Kind regards from Vienna,

Gudrun

Dr. GUDRUN KUGLER

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

# Dr. Gudrun Kugler

## **Parliamentary Functions in Austria**

- Member of the Austrian Parliament since 2017
- Spokesperson for human rights and displaced people for the parliamentary group of the Austrian People's Party
- Spokesperson for exiled peoples in the aftermath of WWII for the parliamentary group of the Austrian People's Party
- Committee Memberships
  - Human Rights (Vice-Chair)
  - Justice
  - Family and Youth
  - Social Affairs
  - Ombundsperson (Vice-Chair)
  - Equality (Vice-Chair)
- Chair of the Austrian bilateral parliamentary group with Serbia
- Member of the bilateral parliamentary groups with Ukraine, Moldova, Belarus, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Latin America and Central America

#### **Education and Career**

- PhD in International Law
- Master in European and International Law
- Master in Women's Studies
- Master in Theological Studies on Marriage and the Family
- Professional background as consultant and entrepreneur
- Author of several books, including on Europe and human rights
- Recipient of several awards, e.g. the Austrian "Leopold-Kunschak-Award" the "Saint Thomas More Religious Freedom Advocacy Award"
- Language skills: fluent in German and English, conversant in Spanish and French, basics in Russian

#### OSCE, Regional and International Institutions

- Rapporteur of the Second Committee in 2021/22
- Engagement with EU, UN, OSCE and ODIHR for more than 20 years
- Vice chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Migration of the OSCE PA
- Keynote speaker at several OSCE High Level Meetings
- Elected member of the Advisory Panel of the EU Fundamental Rights Agency from 2010 to 2012

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