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**OBJECTIVE**

TRANSITION AND CONSOLIDATION OF DEMOCRACY ENABLED AND UNDEMOCRATIC THREATS COUNTERED

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1. **OUTCOME**

   **Strengthened democratic leadership skills among current and/or emerging leaders**

   ![](PEER-TO-PEER SUPPORT)

2. **OUTCOME**

   **Convened meetings between key actors and/or initiated policy dialogues**

   ![](POLITICAL SOUNDING BOARDS)

3. **OUTCOME**

   **Raised awareness of a crisis in democracy and relevant enabling partnerships have been strengthened**

   ![](BUILDING BRIDGES)

   ![](AGENDA-SETTING)

   ![](AMPLIFIERS OF DEMOCRATIC IDEAS)

   ![](GLOBAL ADVOCACY)
PROGRAMME PILLARS

The cross-cutting issues of climate change, digital transformation, and peace and security run across the three programme pillars enabling us to harness the interconnected nature of our mandate and the challenges to be tackled.

1 DEMOCRACY AND DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE

Analyses trends affecting democratic development and proposes public policies for the far-reaching transformation of democratic systems needed to create citizen-centred, inclusive, responsive and transparent institutions.

- In-country support: Leverages our Members’ first-hand experience on constructing democracy and democratic governance to rally, counsel, and empower today’s leaders as they steer their countries through transition and consolidation processes.

- Democracy that delivers: Promotes the capacity of democracy to respond to people’s needs and to signs of concentration of power by supporting the demands for a renewed eco-social contract and against grand corruption.

- Global solidarity among democrats: Supports non-violent democracy defender’s efforts against repression by providing access to our Members experience and collective muscle as contribution to their struggles.

- Leadership for Net Zero: Generates an international, multidisciplinary debate on the role of democratic leadership in the fight against climate change.

- Democracy in the digital era: Contributes to building consensus around a rights-based agenda for the governance of digital transformation at national, regional and global levels.

2 MULTILATERALISM AND GLOBAL COOPERATION

Promotes and defends an enabling global environment for democracy by supporting the multilateral system as the guarantor of inclusive, consensus-based and sustainable responses to transnational challenges, including the 2030 Agenda as the compass for action.

- Current agenda for multilateral reform: Supports the United Nations and its Secretary-General in fostering inclusive, networked, highly effective multilateralism as outlined in the report Our Common Agenda report particularly regarding World Social Summit II and a Global Digital Compact.

- Global public health after COVID-19: Pushes for a strengthened global public health architecture, advocating for the adoption of a legally binding instrument on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response by regional, multilateral and national actors.

- Dialogue with and among global powers: Fosters dialogue with different political systems and between global powers to encourage mutual understanding of critical global issues and solutions in tackling transnational threats and crises.

3 FOSTERING SHARED SOCIETIES

Provides leaders and local communities with a greater understanding of the ways and benefits of advancing social inclusion as an essential element in democratic development and promotes a holistic approach to sustainable development, with social inclusion at its core.

- Inclusive implementation of Agenda 2030: Promotes the inclusion of identity-based marginalised groups with respect for diversity and the dignity of the individual, equal opportunity and protection from discrimination at national and global levels.

- Gender equality and women’s participation: Advocates for women’s leadership, participation and influence in political institutions and decision-making processes.

- Intergenerational dialogue and youth leadership: Creates spaces for intergenerational dialogue where young people receive direct support from our Members, helping them influence national and global agendas through mentoring and policy advice.

- Inclusive leadership: Provides current and emerging leaders with support, advice and tools to build Shared Societies in which all individuals have the opportunity to engage in public policy, from design to implementation and monitoring.

For more information on how you can partner with us, please contact Outreach and Development Coordinator, Agustina Briano, at abriano@clubmadrid.org

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We can engage in the initiatives of other like-minded institutions through third party collaborations. This can take different forms, ranging from the participation of specific Member/s as speaker/s to the actual design of a workshop or conference on a topic of mutual concern with the engagement of our Members. These collaborations can be tailored to the interest of our partners.
LIST OF MEMBERS

AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST

Joyce Banda  President of Malawi (2012-2014)
Joacim Chissano  President of Mozambique (1986-2005)
Luisa Diogo  Prime Minister of Mozambique (2004-2010)
Amine Gemayel  President of Lebanon (1982-1988)
Hamadi Jebali  Prime Minister of Tunisia (2011-2013)
Mara Moussa  Prime Minister of Mali (2014-2015)
Ellen Johnson Sirleaf  President of Liberia (2006-2018)
John Kufuor  President of Ghana (2001-2009)
Aminata Touré  Prime Minister of Senegal (2013-2014)
Cassam Uteem  President of Mauritius (1992-2002)

ASIA-PACIFIC

Helen Clark  Prime Minister of New Zealand (1999-2008)
Yasuo Fukuda  Prime Minister of Japan (2007-2008)
Han Seung-soo  Prime Minister of Korea (2008-2009) and Vice President of Club de Madrid
Hilda Heine  President of the Marshall Islands (2016-2020; 2024+)
Ram Nath Kovind  President of India (2017-2022)
Chandrika Kumaratunga  President of Sri Lanka (1994-2005)
Hong Koo Lee  Prime Minister of Korea (1994-1995)
Roza Otunbayeva  President of Kyrgyzstan (2010-2011)
Anand Panyarachun  Prime Minister of Thailand (1991-1992)
Pratibha Patil  President of India (2007-2012)
Ochirbat Punsalmaa  President of Mongolia (1990-1997)
José Manuel Ramos-Horta  President of Timor-Leste (2007-2012)
Kevin Rudd  Prime Minister of Australia (2007-2010; 2013)
Jenny Shipley  Prime Minister of New Zealand (1997-1999)
Elbegdorj Tsakhia  President of Mongolia (2009-2017)

Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono  President of Indonesia (2004-2014)

AMERICAS

Carlos Alvarado  President of Costa Rica (2018-2022)
Oscar Arias  President of Costa Rica (1986-1990; 2006-2010)
Michelle Bachelet  President of Chile (2006-2010; 2014-2018)
Felipe Calderón  President of Mexico (2006-2012)
Kim Campbell  Prime Minister of Canada (1993)
Fernando Henrique Cardoso  President of Brazil (1995-2003)
Jean Chrétien  Prime Minister of Canada (1993-2003)
Laura Chinchilla  President of Costa Rica (2010-2014)
William J. Clinton  President of the United States of America (1993-2001)
José María Figueres  President of Costa Rica (1994-1998)
Vicente Fox  President of Mexico (2000-2006)
Eduardo Frei Ruiz-Tagle  President of Chile (1994-2000)
César Gaviria  President of Colombia (1990-1994)
José Manuel Barroso  Prime Minister of Portugal (2002-2004)

EUROPE

Esko Aho  Prime Minister of Finland (1991-1995)
José María Aznar  President of the Government of Spain (1996-2004)
Jan Peter Balkenende  Prime Minister of the Netherlands (2002-2010)
José Manuel Barroso  Prime Minister of Portugal (2002-2004)
Carl Bildt Prime Minister of Sweden (1991-1994)
Valdis Birkavs Prime Minister of Latvia (1993-1994)
Gordon Brown Prime Minister of the United Kingdom (2007-2010)
Jerzy Buzek Prime Minister of Poland (1997-2001)
Micheline Calmy-Rey President of Switzerland (2007-2011)
Aníbal Cavaco Silva Prime Minister of Portugal (1985-1995); President of Portugal (2006-2016)
Marie Louise Coleiro Preca President of Malta (2014-2019)
Dominique de Villepin Prime Minister of France (1995-2002)
Philip Dimitrov Prime Minister of Bulgaria (1991-1992)
Vigdís Finnbogadottír President of Iceland (1980-1996)
Joachim Gauck President of Germany (2012-2017)

Enrique Iglesias Secretary General of the Ibero-American Cooperation Secretariat (2005-2013)
Juan Somavia Ninth Director of the International Labour Organization (1999-2012)

Enrico Letta Prime Minister of Italy (2013-2014)
Doris Leuthard President of Switzerland (2010-2017)
Stefan Löfven Prime Minister of Sweden (2014–2021)
Rexhep Meidani President of Albania (1997-2002)

Hanna Suchocka Prime Minister of Poland (1992-1993)
Alexander Stubb Prime Minister of Finland (2014-2015); President of Finland (2024–)

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