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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



“ Let us remain vigilant, let us unite in our common values and stand up, proudly, defending democracy, the rule of law and liberalism. ”

READ LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dr Hakima el Haité
President of Liberal International

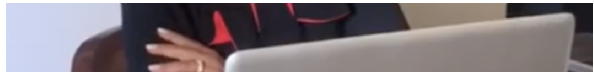


LI President sent best wishes to LPCG Montenegro

LI President Dr **Hakima el Haité**, shared this video message to LPCG Party President **Andrija**



Popovic expressing the best of luck and success for the upcoming elections in Montenegro.



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Mali – Empower democratic institutions and respect the rule of law

In a joint statement, **Liberal International** and the **Africa Liberal Network** are extremely concerned about the situation in Mali.

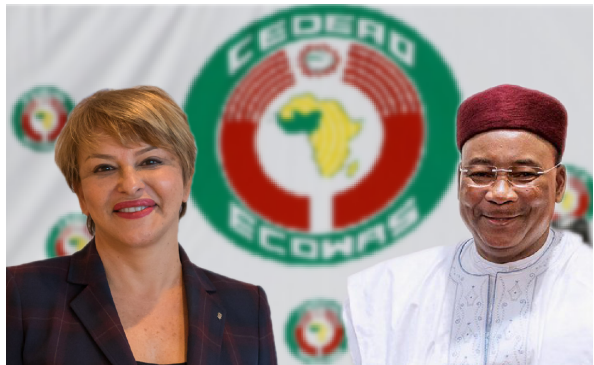
We called on the release of Hon. **Soumaila Cissé**, leader of URD Mali, as well as called for the empowerment of the people through the establishment of democratic institutions.



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Dr El Haité pens letter to ECOWAS Chairperson

Following on from the statement on Mali, Dr el Haité has written to H.E **Mahamadou Issoufou**, ECOWAS Chairperson and President of Niger for his support.



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LI condemns pro-democracy lawmakers arrest in Hong Kong

The bureau of **Liberal International** condemns the arrest of two Hong Kong opposition lawmakers, Mr **Lam Cheuk-ting** and Mr **Ted Hui Chi-fung** – both from the **Democratic Party (DP)** and critics of Beijing – on Wednesday, 26 August 2020 as the crackdown on pro-democracy supporters widens.

We stand in support of pro-democracy and the people of Hong Kong.



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LI congratulates newly elected Lib Dem Leader

The global liberal family wishes the new leader of our member party Liberal Democrats the best of luck - we look forward to working together with **Rt Hon Sir Ed Davey MP** in the months and years ahead.



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LI congratulates LPCG president on re-election to Parliament

Congratulations to LPCG Montenegrin Leader **Andrija Popović** MP on his re-election to Parliament. We wish you the best of luck & success to deliver a brighter future for Montenegro & her people.



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LI congratulates LDP president, Minister G. Milevski

Congratulations to LDP North Macedonia's leader **Goran Milevski** on becoming Minister of Local Self-Government and the formation of a new government.



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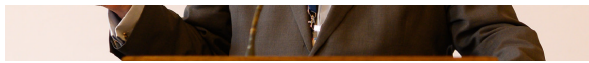
BUREAU IN ACTION

Internationally recognised borders of Ukraine should be respected: LI PoH van Baalen



Another peaceful protest in Guinea ends in bloodshed





On Monday 24 August, LI President ALDE Party President **Hans van Baalen** congratulated the Ukrainian people on their 29th anniversary as an independent state. Van Baalen stressed that the internationally recognised borders of Ukraine should be respected.

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The right to protest peacefully is a fundamental value that unites liberals around the world. Liberals around the world will therefore want to unite with LI vice-president and leader of **UFDG** (LI Full Member), **Cellou Dalein Diallo**, and leader of **UFR** (LI Full Member) **Sidya Touré** in condemning the violence which targeted opposition protesters in Guinea in late July 2020, killing or injuring scores of people.

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Europe's last dictator wobbles: What next for Belarus?



Liberal International brought together **Olga Karatch**, founder and director of Belarusian civil rights organisation *Nash Dom*, and **Astrid Thors**, LI Vice President and Chair of the LI Human Rights Committee to discuss the situation in Belarus in a fireside chat.

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Liberals are Nicaragua's only viable option for uniting opposition in 2021 elections



In an interview with **PanAm Post**, LI Vice President and Leader of **Ciudadanos por la Libertad**, **Kitty Monterrey** clearly sets out why the liberals are Nicaragua's only viable option for uniting the opposition in the 2021 elections.

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LI's Extraordinary Virtual Congress

As announced earlier this year, the onset of COVID19 caused Liberal International - like many global organisations - to postpone our international events, specifically our 63rd congress. This was not a decision we took lightly but with the interests for the health and safety of you, our membership, foremost in our minds.

With an in-person meeting no longer feasible this year owing to the pandemic, the LI Bureau has approved a process for calling a 1 hour-long virtual extraordinary congress to be held on **Tuesday 20th October 2020 at 15:00-16:00 BST/UK-time**. This meeting will centre solely on resolving the essential administrative matters of LI.

More details will follow to all Party International Officer's in the first week of September.

FIGHTING FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND CLIMATE JUSTICE

'Vaccine nationalism' is the latest threat to global cooperation



Earth Overshoot Day, Overshot: Why we need to invest in a climate friendly-recovery





As countries scramble to produce a working vaccine for COVID-19, the virus presents a new threat to human rights around the world. A potential vaccine has become a powerful political and diplomatic tool, and leaders have reacted accordingly with a rise in what has become known as “vaccine nationalism”. Not only do such sentiments risk delaying the efforts to curb the spread of the virus, but they also risk putting people’s lives at risk and exacerbating existing global inequalities.

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The rate at which humanity is consuming the Earth’s resources declined sharply this year as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Consequently, **Earth Overshoot Day**, the point at which human consumption exceeds the amount nature can regenerate in a year, has moved back by over three weeks from 29 July in 2019 to 22 August this year.

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LI HRC Report 2019

"Our response as liberals must be to working together around the world, across borders. What we do in one country has consequences in others." - LI HRC Chair **Astrid Thors**.

Read the report to find out more about the activities undertaken by the committee during 2019!

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17th LI HRC Bulletin

In the 17th instalment of the *human rights bulletin*, LI HRC goes online to host webinars, the Liberal Principles of Digitalisation and Human Rights are established and the 2019 annual report is published.

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Climate Justice Impact Sessions start this week

With nominations now closed, Liberal International, in partnership with D66 (LI full member, the Netherlands),

IMPACT SERIES.

5 - 26 SEPTEMBER 2020

#ClimateMigration



is pleased to announce that our upcoming series of expert webinars as part of our **Climate Justice Impact Sessions Project** begins Saturday 5 September.

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Job Call: Head of Programmes and Policy

Liberal International is offering an experienced individual, with a demonstrable experience of managing and administering programmatic work, the opportunity to oversee the implementation of a number of high-profile political programmes related to areas including climate, trade and partnership training.

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VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS



Democratic Alliance:
#StopCorruption

DA Leader **John Steenhuisen** to ask [tough questions in Parliament](#) to ANC President Ramaphosa, as his government has been caught up in yet more corruption scandals.

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Africa Liberal Network:
#LeadingWomenInAfrica

ALN kick start their five-part webinar series shining a spotlight on women who are moving the continent forward. Catch this first episode with Western Cape Health Minister **Dr Nomafrench Mbombo** moderated by **Nereah Amondi Oketch**.

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EU's partial suspension on EBA scheme with Cambodia.

Read our article on the live stream with **Mu Sochua, Svenja Hahn, Phil Bennion & Emil Kirjas**, and sign the petition.

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POLITICAL UPDATES FROM THE REGIONS

AFRICA

Burkina Faso's liberals unite ahead of elections

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AMERICAS

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CALD urges solidarity with the people of Hong Kong

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EUROPE

Renew Europe leads demand for an effective rule of law mechanism

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Abraham Accord will redesign the equation of power in the Middle East.

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TWEET OF THE WEEK



LI's Human Rights Officer meets HR Director of World Pride in Copenhagen

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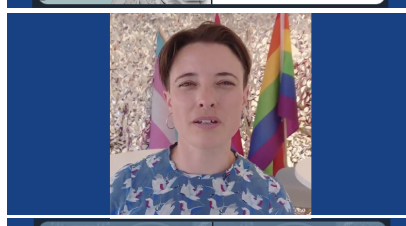


POLITICS ONLINE

In case you missed our social media activity for the month, here are a few of our political positions you can get behind - share, like and retweet.



[#WhatLiberalsThink: Stand up for people being suppressed.](#)



[Radikale Venstre's MEP Karen Melchior shares why liberals need to be at Pride and continue fighting](#)



[#FreedomFightsFake: Impacts of Africa's press freedom during COVID19](#)

DID YOU CATCH OUR PAST COMMUNICATIONS?

Since the pandemic hit LI, together with our members, has been outspoken about the issues related to COVID and offered new ideas and approaches.

You can find our previously published newsletters here:

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REPUTABLE SITES FOR COVID-19 INFORMATION

With the rise of Fake News and Disinformation, Liberal International has listed some trusted sites for information around COVID-19. As liberals, we need to do all we can to minimise the spread of Fake News & Disinfo and contain this pandemic.

If you want to find out more information on data and statistics, please also click the links below.

World Health Organization (WHO)

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International Committee of the Red Cross

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Doctors Without Borders

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LI'S REGIONAL NETWORKS

- [Africa Liberal Network \(ALN\)](#)
- [Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe \(ALDE Party\)](#)
- [Arab Liberal Federation \(ALF\)](#)
- [Council of Asian Liberals & Democrats \(CALD\)](#)
- [Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom \(FNF\)](#)
- [Red Liberal de América Latina \(Relial\)](#)

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