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## **PRES. MACRON TO ATTEND EU-CELAC SUMMIT FOR A FAIR, SOCIAL & JUST SOCIETY**

### **EU & LATIN AMERICAN LEADERS 17-18 July**

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**USPA NEWS** - President Macron, will attend, the third EU-CELAC summit which brings EU leaders and leaders from the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) together in Brussels, net 17-18th July. The summit is an opportunity to further strengthen the EU-CELAC partnership, discuss working together to achieve fair green and digital transitions, and demonstrate a shared commitment to upholding the rules-based international order. The two regions also share a common vision for protecting our planet. The leaders will discuss how to harness the enormous potential of and opportunities offered by the twin green and digital transitions to increase the prosperity of our citizens. The principles of a fair, social and just transformation will form the foundation of our engagement and ensure that no one is left behind.

#### **EU-CELAC AIMS A STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP FOR A FAIR, SOCIAL & JUST SOCIETY**

The EU and Latin America and the Caribbean have a long-standing partnership built on common values and a shared commitment to democracy, respect for human rights and the rule of law. Together, they make up more than a third of UN membership and are a force for a strong multilateral system. The two regions also share a common vision for protecting our planet. The leaders will discuss how to harness the enormous potential of and opportunities offered by the twin green and digital transitions to increase the prosperity of our citizens. The principles of a fair, social and just transformation will form the foundation of our engagement and ensure that no one is left behind.

During the summit, leaders will address a wide range of topics with a view to further strengthening the EU-CELAC partnership, including:

- enhanced cooperation in multilateral fora
- global peace and stability
- trade and investment
- economic recovery
- efforts to combat climate change
- research and innovation
- justice and security for citizens

The heads of state and government of the EU and CELAC member states will attend the summit, which will be co-chaired by the President of the European Council, Charles Michel, and the Prime Minister of St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Ralph Gonsalves, in his role as CELAC pro tempore president. The summit will also see the participation of the President of the European Commission and the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy.

Despite the untrue answer of a senior advisor of french Presidency, "the inclusivity of the society won't be discussed during this summit", (source : Elysee) the EU-CELAC states clearly that this Summit is based on a strategic partnership, over "the principles of a fair, social and just transformation will form the foundation of our engagement and ensure that no one is left behind." (Source European Union), i.e this hot topic is to be tackled during the summit by the countries and members states involved in EU-CELAC meeting. (Source : European Union)

Though, President Macron, who is keen on that matter, has indeed put this topic on the table of Paris Peace Forum,. Furthermore, Emmanuel Macron had also pleaded for a fair inclusive society, at Paris Peace Forum, which he initiated in 2018 addressing Antonio Guterres, SG of United Nations speaking of exclusion because of the consequences of the deviances of social networks "This mistrust, it is also multiplied by the fact that all these transitions - and you mentioned it perfectly Mr. Secretary General just now - have

shaken up our societies, and mean that our reflection on the Internet must also lead us to reflect on the opportunities that this allows for to create, on new forms of employment, on the capacity precisely to create inclusion in our societies, where distrust feeds on exclusions in access to the Internet, whether it is knowledge, networks or those who remain on the sidelines of this progress." had he indicated. The Head of State has also always pleaded for a "fight against inequalities, and a South-South governance report", in 2022, as he hosted "the Inclusive Growth Financing Forum" in 2019, (Paris Peace Forum )

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