



TERRITORIAL AND LOCAL ADMINISTRATIVE SYSTEM IN HUNGARY

VI. THE ACTIVITY OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE IN THE FIELD OF LOCAL DEMOCRACY

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6. The activity of the Council of Europe in the field of local democracy



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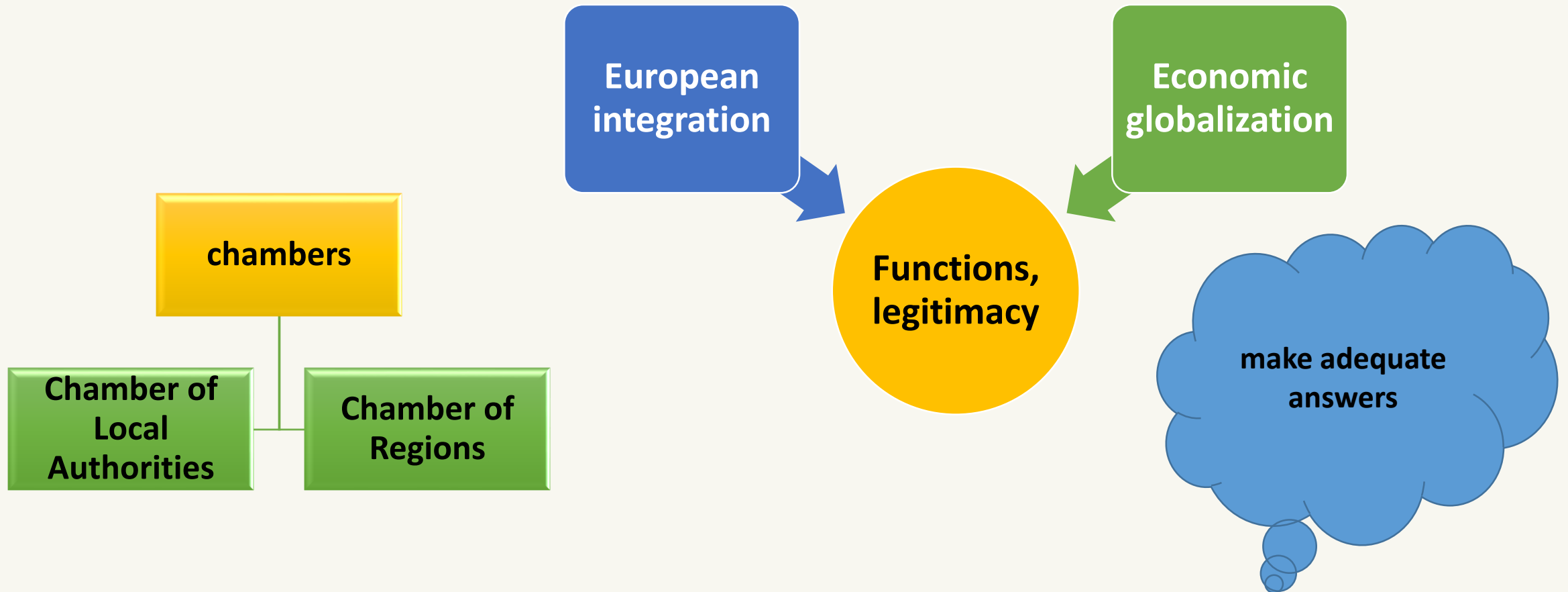
I. Congress of Local and Regional Authorities

II. Activities of the Congress in general

III. Selected cases of major importance to society

- 1. The impacts of 2007-2009 liquidity and financial crisis
- 2. Pandemic crisis of 2020

Congress of Local and Regional Authorities



Activities of the Congress

**Monitoring
ECLSG**

**Observation
of elections**

**Support for
local
authorities**

**Other
activities**

Selected cases (1)

The impacts of 2007-2009 liquidity and financial crisis

- How to achieve the economic scale?
- Territorial reforms
- Increasing cooperation forms

Recommendation on the Financial Resources of Local and Regional Authorities (2005)

High priority of the financial crisis Utrecht (2009)

Kyiv Declaration (2011)

Policy responses

- Stabilising local revenue bases
- Improving accountability and efficiency
- Combating social deprivation
- Partnership in delivering public service
- Enhancing local flexibility and discretion
- Promoting economic recovery

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Selected cases (2)

Pandemic crisis of 2020

- Local authorities are the closest
- Extraordinary measures: temporary, under democratic control

Management of health care, service delivery

Consultation, financial autonomy in focus

Necessary support

**Thank you for your kind
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