



## **NATIONAL ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, AND ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL - CNESE -PRESENTATION-**

Following the revision of the Constitution (November 2020) and the publication of Presidential Decree No. 21-37 of January 6, 2021, the National Economic and Social Council (CNES) has been renamed the "National Economic, Social, and Environmental Council" (CNESE). As a consultative institution of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, its mission and purpose are enshrined in Articles 209 and 210 of the Constitution.

### **Missions of the Council:**

Following this constitutional revision, the National Economic, Social, and Environmental Council is now placed under the authority of the President of the Republic. Its mission includes:

- Providing a framework for civil society participation in national consultation on economic, social, and environmental development policies within the context of sustainable development.
- Ensuring ongoing dialogue and consultation among national economic and social partners.
- Evaluating and studying national interest issues in economic, social, and environmental fields, as well as in education, training, and higher education.
- Making proposals and recommendations to the government.

Indeed, the CNESE, which positions itself as a framework for dialogue, consultation, proposals, foresight, and analysis, has incorporated the environmental dimension, thereby strengthening its role as an advisor to the government.

Regarding the implementation of its missions, and in terms of proposals and recommendations to the government, the CNESE is particularly responsible for providing opinions on development strategies, programs, and plans, as well as on finance bills.

The CNESE is also responsible for promoting dialogue and exchanges with peer institutions and similar organizations to create regional and international spaces

dedicated to this purpose, including with all international parties and entities, particularly United Nations agencies.

### **Composition of the Council:**

The Council is composed of 200 representative and qualified members from all fields across the national territory, distributed as follows:

- 75 members from the economic, social, and environmental sectors;
- 60 members from civil society;
- 20 members designated as "intuitu personae" qualified personalities;
- 45 members from state administrations and institutions.

The term of office for Council members is three years, renewable once.

The Council consists of seven permanent commissions:

1. Commission on Human Capital and Digital Transformation Competencies
2. Commission on Competition, Regulation, and Global Economy
3. Commission on Demography, Health, and Territories
4. Commission on Environment, Energy Transition, and Sustainable Development
5. Commission on Financial Governance and Economic Policies
6. Commission on Democratic Processes and Citizen Participation
7. Commission on Algerians Living Abroad

### **Functioning of the Council:**

Within the scope of its missions, the Council may interview members of the government or any public institution and establishment official. The Council may be seized by:

- The President of the Republic
- The Prime Minister

The Council can also take the initiative to issue opinions, make proposals, or conduct any studies or reports on issues related to its missions and submit them to the President of the Republic or the Prime Minister (self-seizure).

## **Managerial Vision within the Council:**

Pursuant to the provisions of Presidential Decree No. 21-71 of February 16, 2021, concerning the organization of the administrative and technical services of the National Economic, Social, and Environmental Council, five thematic divisions have been created to support the work of the permanent commissions mentioned above. These are the following divisions:

1. Division of Sustainable Economic Development
2. Division of Governance and Regulation
3. Division of Human Capital
4. Division of Social Protection and Cohesion
5. Division of Informational Resources and Simulations

Regarding the latter division, which has a transversal character, it constitutes a national data center containing databases on all fields. Additionally, this division is tasked with organizing study days within the concept of the "Behavioral Reflection Group (BRG)," which focuses on analyzing the behavior of society and individuals in various aspects of daily life.