



Meeting of the Chairpersons of COSAC

Vienna, 8 – 9 July 2018

Draft Programme

Sunday, 8 July 2018

- 14:00 – 19:00 Arrival of delegations and registration at the hotels
- 16:45 Departure from the hotels
- 17:00 -
approx. 18:00 **DemocracyQuarter WalkingTour**
Visit of the interim location of the Austrian Parliament during the renovation of the historic Parliament building
- 18:15 Return to the hotels
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- Meeting of the Presidential Troika of COSAC**
- 17:40 Departure from the hotels
- 18:00 Meeting of the Presidential Troika
Venue: Parliament-Hofburg, Room 5
Entrance: Pavilion Bibliothekshof
- Departure for the dinner
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- 18:45 Departure from the hotels
- 19:30 **Dinner hosted by Mr Reinhold Lopatka, Chairperson of the Permanent Subcommittee on EU Affairs of the National Council and Mr Christian Buchmann, Chairperson of the EU Committee of the Federal Council**
Dinner speech by Ms Karoline Edtstadler, State Secretary, Federal Ministry of the Interior, on “The global responsibility of the EU”
Venue: Restaurant Kahlenberg, Am Kahlenberg 2-3, 1190 Vienna
- approx. 22:30 Return to the hotels

Monday, 9 July 2018

8:00 Departure from the hotels

8:30 **Opening of the meeting of the COSAC Chairpersons**

Venue: Parliament-Hofburg, Großer Redoutensaal

Entrance: 1010 Vienna, Josefsplatz 4

Welcome addresses:

Mr Wolfgang Sobotka, President of the National Council

Ms Inge Posch-Gruska, President of the Federal Council

Chairperson's introductory remarks

8:45 Adoption of the agenda

Procedural issues and miscellaneous matters

- Briefing on the results of the Presidential Troika of COSAC
- Draft agenda of the LX COSAC
- Outline of the 30th Bi-annual Report of COSAC
- Letters received by the Presidency
- Others

9:15 **Session 1: Priorities of the Austrian Presidency of the Council of the European Union**

Keynote speaker:

Ms Karoline Edtstadler

State Secretary, Federal Ministry of the Interior

Debate

10:30 Coffee break

11:00 **Session 2: Future and perspectives of the European Union**

Keynote speakers:

Mr Frans Timmermans

First Vice-President of the European Commission

Ms Mairead McGuinness

First Vice-President of the European Parliament

Debate

12:55 Chairperson's closing remarks

Family photo

13:00

Lunch

Venue: Parliament-Hofburg, Dachfoyer

14:30

Return to the hotels

Departure of delegations