



Vienna, 23 November 2018

Dear Colleague,

It gives me great pleasure to invite you to the Meeting of the Secretaries General of the European Union Parliaments, which will be held in Vienna as part of the Parliamentary Dimension of the Austrian Presidency of the Council of the European Union.

The meeting will take place on Monday, 28 January 2019 at the interim location of the Austrian Parliament at Hofburg Palace, preceded by a welcome dinner the evening before.

At the meeting we will discuss the programme of the Conference of Speakers of the EU Parliaments and IPEX related issues. In the thematic session we will exchange views on opportunities and limits of an open parliament, which may focus on the tension between an open and "friendly" visitors' center and safety requirements, and how you try to strike this balance. In addition there will be presentations on the Parliamentary Dimension of the Romanian EU Council Presidency as well as on the elections to the European Parliament in 2019.

Please find attached the draft programme of the meeting, as well as the practical information concerning the registration, accommodation, and other relevant details. Please kindly take note of the registration deadlines.

I look forward to welcoming you in Vienna.

Yours sincerely,

Harald Dossi
Secretary General of the Austrian Parliament