



# Conference of Speakers of the European Union Parliaments

**Vienna, 8 – 9 April 2019**

Draft Programme

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Monday, 8 April 2019

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**Meeting of the Presidential Troika**

13:40 Departure from the hotels  
14:00 – 15:00 Meeting of Speakers of Parliaments of the Presidential Troika  
(Estonia, Austria, Finland, European Parliament)  
*Wiener Konzerthaus, 1030 Vienna, Lothringerstraße 20, Wotruba-Salon*

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14:30 Departure from the hotels to the conference venue  
*Wiener Konzerthaus, 1030 Vienna, Lothringerstraße 20, Konzertsaal*

15:00 **Opening session**

**Welcome addresses**

**Mr Wolfgang Sobotka**, President of the Austrian National Council

**Mr Ingo Appé**, President of the Austrian Federal Council

Adoption of the agenda

**Keynote speaker**

**Ms Mairead McGuinness**, First Vice President of the European Parliament

15:30 **Session I: The European Union and its neighbours**

**Keynote speakers**

**Mr Andrej Danko**, President of the National Council of the Slovak Republic

**Mr Nikos Voutsis**, President of the Hellenic Parliament

**Mr Roberto Fico**, President of the Italian Chamber of Deputies

Debate

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16:30 Family photo and coffee break

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- 17:00            **Session I: The European Union and its neighbours (continues)**
- 18:00            Return to the hotels
- 19:30            Departure from the hotels
- 20:00            **Dinner hosted by the President of the National Council and the  
President of the Federal Council**  
*Leopold Museum, 1070 Vienna, Museumsplatz 1*
- 22:30            Return to the hotels

Tuesday, 9 April 2019

- 9:00            Departure from the hotels
- 9:30            **Session II: The European Union ahead of the 2019 European  
elections - further development of cooperation between national  
parliaments and European institutions**
- Keynote speakers**  
**Mr Wolfgang Schäuble**, President of the German Bundestag  
**Ms Ankie Broekers-Knol**, President of the Dutch Senate  
**Mr Gérard Larcher**, President of the French Senate  
**Mr Marek Kuchciński**, President of the Polish Sejm
- Debate
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- 11:00            Coffee break
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- 11:30            **Session II: The European Union ahead of the 2019 European  
elections - further development of cooperation between national  
parliaments and European institutions (continues)**

12:30            **Session III: Debate and adoption of the Conclusions**

Closing remarks of the Chair

13:00            **Lunch**

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14:30            Return to the hotels

Departure of delegations