



MALTA EU2017
PARLIAMENTARY DIMENSION

Meeting of the Chairpersons of COSAC

Draft Programme

22 – 23 JANUARY 2017
MALTA

Sunday, 22 January 2017

15:00 – 19:00 Arrival of delegations and registration at the hotels

Meeting of the Presidential Troika of COSAC

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| 17:15 | Departure from hotels |
| 18:00 | Meeting of the Presidential Troika of COSAC <i>Venue: The Xara Lodge, Triq il-Belt, Rabat</i> |
| 19:00 | Departure for dinner |

19:00 Departure from the hotels to dinner venue

19:30 Dinner hosted by Hon. Luciano Busuttil, *Chairman of the Foreign and European Affairs Committee*

Venue: Esplora, Interactive Science Centre, Villa Bighi, Kalkara

22:00 Return to the hotels by bus

Monday, 23 January 2017

07:45 Departure by bus to The Xara Lodge, Triq il-Belt, Rabat

08:30 **Opening of the meeting**

Welcome address by Hon. Angelo Farrugia, *Speaker of the House of Representatives*

Introductory remarks by Hon. Luciano Busuttil, *Chairman of the Foreign and European Affairs Committee*

Adoption of the Agenda

09:00 **Session I: Priorities of the Maltese Presidency of the Council of the European Union**

Keynote Speakers:

Hon. Louis Grech, *Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for European Affairs and Implementation of the Electoral Manifesto*

Hon. Edward Zammit Lewis, *Minister for Tourism*

Debate

10:00 **Procedural issues and miscellaneous matters**

- Briefing on the outcome of the meeting of the Presidential Troika of COSAC
- Draft agenda for the LVII COSAC
- Outline of the 27th Bi-annual Report of COSAC
- Letters received by the Presidency

Debate

- 10:45** **Coffee Break**
- 11:15** **Session II: Discussion on the European Commission Work Programme 2017**
Keynote Speaker: Mr Frans Timmermans, *First Vice President of the European Commission*

Speaker: Ms Danuta Maria Hübner, *Chair of the Committee on Constitutional Affairs, European Parliament*

Speaker: Mr Bastiaan van Apeldoorn, *Chairman of the Committee on European Affairs of the Dutch Senate*

Debate
- 13:15** Closing remarks by Hon. Luciano Busuttil, *Chairman of the Foreign and European Affairs Committee*
- 13:30** **Family Photo**

Lunch
- 15:00** **Departure of delegations**