

Folketingets Europaudvalg

Christiansborg, den 16. juli 2001
Europaudvalgets sekretariat

Til

udvalgets medlemmer og stedfortrædere

COSAC i Bruxelles 3.-5. oktober 2001

Vedlagt fremsendes indbydelse til det XXV COSAC-møde, som finder sted i Bruxelles fra onsdag den 3. oktober til fredag den 5. oktober. Desuden vedlægges foreløbigt program og en note om, hvordan man bærer sig ad med at fremsende forslag til bidrag fra COSAC.

De fly, som giver mulighed for deltagelse i hele programmet, er:

Onsdag den 3. oktober med SAS fra Kastrup kl. 14.40.

Fredag den 5. oktober med Sabena fra Bruxelles kl. 14.30, lander i Kastrup kl. 16.10.

Der kan deltage 6 folketingsmedlemmer. Vi gør opmærksom på, at der er **åbningsdebat** torsdag den 4. oktober. Medlemmer/stedfortrædere, som er interesseret i at deltage COSAC-mødet, bedes indsende vedlagte tilmeldingsblanket snarest muligt eller ringe til Europaudvalgets sekretariat (att.: Mette Nielsen, lok. 3615) **senest fredag den 3. august**. Så kan man drøfte deltagelsen på underudvalgsmødet onsdag den 8. august.

Med venlig hilsen

Bjørn Einersen

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Ja, jeg ønsker at deltage i ovennævnte møde

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Nej, jeg kan desværre ikke deltage i mødet

MF navn:

Evt. kontaktperson:

Evt. bemærkninger:

**Retur til International Afdeling
(IA)**

(att. Mette Nielsen)

senest fredag den 3. august 2001

FEDERAL PARLIAMENT OF BELGIUM
FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EUROPEAN AFFAIRS

Brussels, 12 July 2001

Dear colleague,

We have the great pleasure to invite you to the XXVth COSAC which is to be held in Brussels on Thursday 4 and Friday 5 October 2001 in the hemicycle of the House of Representatives.

Following the Troika meeting in Brussels on 6 July 2001, please find enclosed the COSAC draft program together with a registration form for the conference and a hotel reservation form.

The day before the conference i.e. on Wednesday 3 October 2001 at 7.30 p.m., you are cordially invited to visit the instrumental museum in Brussels. This visit will be followed by a walking dinner.

A finalised programme of events will be sent to you at the beginning of September once we have confirmation of the availability of the members of the Belgian government who have been asked to participate. A working document with regard to the Conference themes will also be sent to you as well as some practical information about the Conference.

You will also find enclosed a note on the methods of tabling and examining the possible draft contributions.

We would also like to inform you that according to point 4 of the contribution adopted by the XXIVth COSAC in Stockholm, it was envisaged during the Troika meeting to convene the COSAC working group (article 1.5 of the rules of procedure) under the Belgian presidency. The date proposed by the Troika is Monday 26 November 2001 in the Belgian Parliament in Brussels.

Awaiting to welcome you in Brussels, we remain,

Yours sincerely,

Philippe MAHOUX

Senator
President of the Federal Advisory
Committee on European Affairs

Herman DE CROO

President of the
House of Representatives

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FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EUROPEAN AFFAIRS

XXV COSAC
Brussels, 4 - 5 October 2001

Draft programme

Wednesday, 3 October 2001

Arrival of the delegations

- 17.00-19.00 Registration of participants in the hotels
- 19.15 Departure from hotels by bus
- 19.30 Visit of the Musical Instruments Museum (*Rue Montagne de la Cour, 2*)
Walking dinner hosted by Mr Herman De Croo, President of the House of
representatives and Mr Philippe Mahoux, Chairman of the Federal
Advisory Committee on European Affairs

Thursday, 4 October 2001

- 8.30 Departure from hotels to the Belgian Federal Parliament
Place de la Nation, 2
- 8.45 Registration of participants
- 9.15 Opening of the XXV COSAC and adoption of the agenda
Hemicycle of the House of representatives
- 9.30 **The Belgian Presidency and the debate on the future of the European
Union**
Opening speech by Mr Guy Verhofstadt, Prime Minister
Debate
- 12.30 Suspension of proceedings. Photo call
- 13.00 Lunch at the Cercle royal gaulois artistique et littéraire (*Rue de la Loi, 5*),
hosted by Mr Herman De Croo, President of the House of representatives
and Mr Armand De Decker, President of the Senate

- 14.30 **Employment, the European social model and the negotiations within the scope of the WTO**
Opening speech by Mrs Laurette Onkelinx, Vice Prime Minister and Minister for Employment
Debate
- 16.30 Coffee break
- 16.45 **Food safety and sustainable development**
Opening speech by Mrs Magda Aelvoet, Minister for Consumer Protection, Public Health and Environment
Debate
- 18.30 Return to hotels
- 18.30 Preparatory meeting of the chairpersons
(art 10.4 of the Rules of procedure)
Return to hotels
- 19.30 Departure from hotels
- 20.00 Dinner at the Autoworld Museum (*Parc du Cinquantenaire, 11*), hosted by Mr Herman De Croo, President of the House of representatives and Mr Philippe Mahoux, Chairman of the Federal Advisory Committee on European Affairs

Friday, 5 October 2001

- 8.45 Departure from hotels
- 9.00 **A common asylum and immigration policy**
Opening speech by Mr Antoine Duquesne, Minister for Home Affairs
Debate
- 10.45 Coffee break
- 11.00 **Examination of draft contributions**
- 12.00 End of conference
Buffet hosted by Mr Herman De Croo, President of the House of representatives and Mr Philippe Mahoux, Chairman of the Federal Advisory Committee on European Affairs
(*Residence of the President of the House of representatives*)
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Note on the methods of tabling and examining
draft contributions

Pursuant to article 10.2 of the rules of procedure, each national delegation of Members States can table a draft contribution to the COSAC.

- 1) The possible draft contributions should be sent to the presidency **before Friday 7 September 2001** by e-mail (euro@lachambre.be).
All possible drafts would be dealing with one of the **themes on the agenda of the COSAC**. To prevent any delay in the circulation of documents, it is required to send drafts **both in French and English**. Finally, the draft should not exceed **one page**.
- 2) The presidency will send draft contributions to delegations by mail on **Monday 10 September 2001** and will make them available that day on the COSAC website (www.cosac.org). To guarantee delegations "a reasonable period for scrutiny and remarks" (article 10.3 of the rules of procedure), they will send their possible comments on the draft contributions to the COSAC Presidency, in French or in English, **before Monday 24 September 2001**. All of those comments will be sent to delegations on **Wednesday 26 September 2001** and made available that day on the COSAC website.
- 3) The preparatory meeting of chairmen of delegations in pursuance of article 10.4 of the rules of procedure, will take place on **Thursday 4 October 2001 at 6.30 p.m.**, after the first day of debates of the COSAC. Contributions will be decided upon by the COSAC on **Friday 5 October 2001 at 11 a.m.** in pursuance of article 10.5 of the rules of procedure.

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