

*Draft as of 23 October 2017*

## Plenary Meeting of the LVIII COSAC 26–28 November 2017, Tallinn

### Draft programme

#### Sunday, 26 November 2017

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

#### Meeting of the Presidential Troika of COSAC

17:00      Departure by bus from the hotels

17:30–19:00      Meeting of the Presidential Troika  
*Venue: Conference Hall of the Riigikogu, Lossi plats 1a, Tallinn*

19:00      Departure by bus for the dinner

19:00      Departure by bus from the hotels to the dinner venue

19:30      **Dinner** hosted by **Mr Toomas VITSUT**, Chairman of the European Union Affairs  
Committee of the Riigikogu  
*Venue: Seaplane Harbour, Vesilennuki 6, Tallinn*

22:30      Return to the hotels by bus

#### Monday, 27 November 2017

#### Meetings of the political groups

7:45      Departure by bus from the hotels

8:30–9:30      Meetings of the political groups  
*Venue: Saku Suurhall, Paldiski maantee 104b, Tallinn*

8:30      Departure by bus from the hotels to the conference venue  
*Venue: Saku Suurhall, Paldiski maantee 104b, Tallinn*

9:30–9:45      **Opening of the meeting**  
Welcome address by **Mr Eiki NESTOR**, President of the Riigikogu

Introductory remarks by **Mr Toomas VITSUT**, Chairman of the European Union  
Affairs Committee of the Riigikogu

Adoption of the agenda for the Plenary Meeting of the LVIII COSAC

9:45–10:00

**Procedural issues and miscellaneous matters**

- Information on the results of the Presidential Troika of COSAC
- Presentation of the 28<sup>th</sup> Bi-annual Report of COSAC
- Letters received by the Presidency
- Procedural issues

10:00–11:30

**Session I: The future of the European Union**

Speakers:

**Mrs Kersti KALJULAID**, President of the Republic of Estonia

**Mr Michel BARNIER**, Chief Negotiator of the Task Force for the Preparation and Conduct of the Negotiations with the United Kingdom under Article 50 TEU

**Ms Danuta Maria HÜBNER**, Chairperson of the Committee on Constitutional Affairs of the European Parliament

Debate

11:30–13:00

**Family photo and lunch**

13:00–14:30

**Session II: Bringing Europe closer to its citizens: what are the best practices of the national parliaments?**

Speakers:

**Ms Katrin AUER**, Associate Professor in the Research Group European Integration, Vienna Institute for Advanced Studies

**Mr Pieter OMTZIGT**, Member of the European Affairs Committee, House of Representatives of the Netherlands (tbc)

**Mr Kristian VIGENIN**, Chair of the Committee on European Affairs and Oversight of the European Funds, National Assembly of Bulgaria

**Ms Mairead McGUINNESS**, First Vice-President of the European Parliament

Debate

14:30–15:00

**Coffee break**

15:00–16:30

**Session III: Digital Single Market: current developments of e-services**

Speakers:

**Mr Siim SIKKUT**, Deputy Secretary General for Communications and State Information Systems, Estonian Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communications

**Mr Gunther KRICHBAUM**, most recent Chairman of the Committee on the Affairs of the European Union, German Bundestag

**Mr Jean BIZET**, President of the European Affairs Committee, French Senat

Debate

16:30 Return to the hotels by bus

16:30–18:00 **Meeting of COSAC Chairpersons**  
Debate on the Draft Contribution and Draft Conclusions of the LVIII COSAC

18:00 Return to the hotels by bus

19:00 Departure by bus from the hotels to the dinner venue

19:30 **Dinner** hosted by **Mr Toomas VITSUT**, Chairman of the European Union Affairs Committee of the Riigikogu  
*Venue: Estonia Concert Hall, Estonia puiestee 4, Tallinn*

23:00 Return to the hotels by bus

## **Tuesday, 28 November 2017**

8:15 Departure by bus from the hotels to the conference venue  
*Venue: Saku Suurhall, Paldiski maantee 104b, Tallinn*

9:00–10:15 **Session IV: State of play: building an effective and sustainable Security Union**

Speaker: **Mr Julian KING**, European Commissioner for Security Union

Debate

10:15–11:30 **Session V: The external dimension of migration: preventing and combating irregular migration**  
Speakers:

**Mr Simon MORDUE**, Deputy Director General for Migration, Directorate-General for Migration and Home Affairs, European Commission

**Mr Edward ZAMMIT LEWIS**, Chairman of the Foreign and European Affairs Committee, House of Representatives of Malta

**Ms Anne-Mari VIROLAINEN**, Chair of the Grand Committee, Parliament of Finland

Debate



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| 11:30–12:00 | <b>Coffee break</b>  |
| 12:00–12:45 | <b>Adoption of the Contribution and Conclusions of the LVIII COSAC</b>   |
| 12:45–13:00 | Closing remarks by <b>Mr Toomas VITSUT</b> , Chairman of the European Union Affairs Committee of the Riigikogu |
| 13:00–14:30 | <b>Lunch</b>   |
| 14:30       | Return to the hotels by bus. Departure of the delegations.   |