



# Inter-Parliamentary Conference for the Common Foreign and Security Policy and the Common Security and Defence Policy (CFSP/CSDP)

**Vienna, 11 - 12 October 2018**

Programme

Last Update: 9.10.2018

Thursday, 11 October 2018

09:00	Departure from the hotels to the Meeting of the Troika
09:45	Departure from the hotels
09:30	Meeting of the Presidential Troika and the European Parliament <i>Erste Campus</i>
10:15	Meetings of the political groups <i>Erste Campus</i>
11:00	Coffee break
11:15	<b>Opening session</b> <i>Erste Campus/Grand Hall</i>

**Welcome addresses:**

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

**Ms Inge Posch-Gruska**, President of the Federal Council

**Introductory remarks:**

**Mr Andreas Schieder**, Chairperson of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the National Council

**Mr Reinhard Eugen Bösch**, Chairperson of the Defence Committee of the National Council

**Mr David McAllister**, Chairperson of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the European Parliament

**Introductory statement via Live Video Connection:**

**Ms Federica Mogherini**, High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy

**Short Debate**

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12:15	Lunch at the conference venue
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13:30

**Session 1: Security, Migration and Control of External Borders**

*Erste Campus/Grand Hall*

**Chairperson:**

**Mr Reinhard Eugen Bösch**, Chairperson of the Defence Committee of the National Council

**Introductory statements:**

**Mr Wolfgang Baumann**, Secretary General at the Federal Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Austria

**Mr Berndt Körner**, Deputy Executive Director of the European Border and Coast Guard Agency FRONTEX

**Ms Melita Sunjic**, longstanding employee of UNHCR and Director of Transcultural Campaigning

Debate

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15:00

Family photo and coffee break

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15:30

**Workshop A: The future of the nuclear deal with Iran following the USA's withdrawal**

*Erste Campus / Executive Meeting Room 2.13*

**Moderator:**

**Ms Ana Gomes**, Member of the European Parliament

**Introductory statements:**

**Mr Cornelius Adebahr**, Independent Political Analyst, Berlin, and Non-Resident Fellow, Carnegie Europe, Brussels

**Mr Stephan Klement**, Special Advisor for the Iran Task Force at the European External Action Service (EEAS)

**Workshop B: Facilitating military mobility in the EU within the framework of PESCO**

*Erste Campus/Grand Hall*

**Moderator:**

**Mr Fabio Massimo Castaldo**, Member of the European Parliament

**Introductory statements:**

**Mr Pedro Serrano**, Deputy Secretary General of the European External Action Service (EEAS)

**Ms Margriet Drent**, Senior Research Fellow at the Netherlands Institute of International Relations Clingendael

**Workshop C: OSCE a key partner in the east west dialogue**

*Erste Campus/ Executive Meeting Room 2.14*

**Moderator:**

**Mr Ioan Mircea Pascu**, Member of the European Parliament

**Introductory statements:**

**Mr George Tsereteli**, President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly

**Mr Christian Strohal**, Austrian diplomat, Former Special Representative of the Austrian OSCE Chairmanship, Former Director of ODIHR, Ambassador

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17:00 Return to the hotels

19:00 Departure for dinner

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19:30 **Visit of the State Hall of the Austrian National Library and official Dinner hosted by Mr Andreas Schieder, Chairperson of the Foreign Affairs Committee and Mr Reinhard Eugen Bösch, Chairperson of the Defence Committee**

*Venue: Austrian National Library, 1010 Vienna, Josefsplatz 1*

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22:30 Return to the hotels

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Friday, 12 October 2018

09:00 Departure from the hotels

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09:30 **Session 2: The European contribution to the improvement of the political and humanitarian situation in Syria**  
*Erste Campus/Grand Hall*

**Chairperson:**

**Mr Andreas Schieder**, Chairperson of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the National Council

**Introductory statements:**

**Ms Helga Schmid**, Secretary General of the European External Action Service (EEAS)

**Mr Jean-Louis de Brouwer**, Director for MENA at the Commission's Directorate General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (DG-ECHO)

**Mr Salam Kawakibi**, Political scientist, Executive Director of the Arab Center for Research and Policy Studies in Paris

Debate

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11:00 Coffee Break

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11:30

**Session 3: The EU perspective for the Western Balkans**

*Erste Campus/Grand Hall*

**Chairperson:**

**Mr David McAllister**, Chairperson of the Committee on Foreign Affairs  
of the European Parliament

**Introductory statements:**

**Ms Karin Kneissl**, Federal Minister for Europe, Integration and Foreign  
Affairs of the Republic Austria

**Mr Thomas Mayr-Harting**, Managing Director for Europe and Central  
Asia in the European External Action Service (EEAS)

**Ms Theresia Töglhofer**, Associate Fellow, Alfred von Oppenheim  
Centre for European Policy Studies of the German Council on Foreign  
Relations (DGAP)

Debate

13:00

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Closing remarks by the Chairpersons

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13:30

Lunch at the conference venue

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14:30

Departure of the delegations and transfer to the hotels

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