

# XXX COSAC

## Conference of community and European affairs committees

### - Programme -

*Registration procedures for conference participants may be completed Sunday 5 October from 3 to 8 p.m. in the hotels or on Monday morning, 6 October, at the Senate, starting from 8.30.*

#### **Sunday 5 October**

- 4.30 pm** Departure from hotels.
- 5.00 pm** Visits to the *Foro Romano* and the *Colosseo*.
- 7.00 pm** Return to hotels.
- 8.30 pm** Departure from hotels.
- 8.45 pm** Welcome dinner hosted by the Chairpersons of the European Affairs Committees of the Senate of the Republic and the Chamber of Deputies at *Palazzo Ferrajoli*.
- Return to hotels.

#### **Monday 6 October**

- 8.45 am** (\*) Transfer from hotels to the Senate of the Republic (piazza Madama, 2).
- 9.30 am** Welcome address by Marcello Pera, Speaker of the Senate of the Republic, and Pierferdinando Casini, Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies.
- Opening of proceedings and the adoption of the agenda.
- Franco Frattini, Minister of Foreign Affairs.
- "The Draft European Constitutional Treaty from the Convention to the Intergovernmental Conference: methodological and substantive issues, with particular reference to the role of the Parliaments of EU countries"*.
- Discussion.

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(\*) PPE and PSE political groups will meet in the Senate halls from 8.30 am to 9.15am. A shuttle bus service will be available at the hotels at 8.00 am.

- 11.30 am** Coffee break.
- 11.45 am-1.15 pm** Resumption of proceedings.
- 1.15 pm** Family photo.  
Luncheon in the *Sala Zuccari* at *Palazzo Giustiniani*.
- 3.30 pm** Resumption of proceedings.  
Javier Solana, Secretary General of the Council of the European Union, High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy:  
*"Proximity policies of the European Union: the Mediterranean, the Balkans, Eastern Europe"*.  
Discussion.
- 5.00 pm** Coffee break.
- 5.00-6.15 pm** Meeting of the Chairpersons of the European Affairs Committees.
- 5.30 pm** Piazza Madama. Departure of shuttle buses to the hotels for those not taking part in the meeting with the President of the Republic.
- 6.30 pm** Piazza Madama. Departure to the *Quirinale* of Committee members only.
- 6.45 pm -7.15 pm** Meeting with the President of the Italian Republic, Carlo Azeglio Ciampi.  
Return to hotels.
- 8.15 pm** Departure from hotels.
- 8.45 pm** Official dinner hosted by the Speaker of the Senate of the Republic and the Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies in the *Grandi Aule delle Terme di Diocleziano*.  
Return to hotels.

### **Tuesday 7 October**

- 8.30 am** Transfer from the hotels to the Senate of the Republic.
- 9.00 am** Resumption of proceedings.  
*"The Troika-COSAC Secretariat. Discussion of the operational document to implement the guidelines approved at the Athens COSAC meeting"*.

**10.30 am** Coffee break.

**10.45 am** Resumption of proceedings.

*“Proposals regarding the role of regional legislative assemblies within COSAC. Examination of proposed amendments to the COSAC Rules of Procedure”.*

**11.30-12.30 am** Examination of the final contribution of the XXX COSAC.

End of the Conference.

Luncheon at the Senate of the Republic.