

Conference of the Speakers of EU parliaments

DRAFT PRESIDENCY CONCLUSIONS

CONCERNING IPEX

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1. The Speakers welcomed the successful launch of the IPEX website, and noted that a majority of the national parliaments are actively contributing information concerning their parliaments' EU scrutiny. In order to improve the exchange of information even further, the Speakers encourage national parliaments to include English or French summaries of important decisions on IPEX.
2. The Speakers invite COSAC and IPEX to enhance their cooperation as a means to eliminate duplication of work, and as a means to ensure that the information provided by IPEX, is relevant for the end-users of EU information in the national parliaments. The Speakers also invite COSAC and IPEX to take whatever action they may deem appropriate in order to minimise duplication of work with regards to the calendars on the two websites.
3. The Speakers call on IPEX to create a common portal for the various interparliamentary websites, as a means to facilitate the exchange of parliamentary EU information.
4. The Speakers call on the European Commission to cooperate with IPEX with a view to improve the transmission of Commission documents to IPEX, and in order to facilitate the publication on IPEX of the Commission's responses to the opinions of the national parliaments on EU legislative and non-legislative documents.

