



Interparliamentary Conference for the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) and the Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP)

Draft programme

26 – 28 August 2025

Copenhagen, Tivoli Hotel & Congress Center

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26 August 2025, Tuesday

	Arrival of the delegations
14:00 – 18:30	Conference registration at the hotels
16:30 – 17:30	Meeting of the Presidency Troika <i>Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center</i>
17:30	Troika family photo

27 August 2025, Wednesday

08:00	Participants of the IPC leave from the hotels to Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center
08:15 – 09:00	Meeting of the Political Groups
08:15 – 09:00	Meeting of officials of National Parliaments <i>Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center</i>
09:15 – 10:00	Opening of the IPC <i>Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center</i> <i>Chair:</i> <i>Mr. Christian Friis Bach</i> , Chair of the Committee on Foreign Policy of the Danish Parliament <i>Introductory remarks:</i> <i>Mr. David McAllister</i> , Chair of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the European Parliament <i>Welcoming address:</i> <i>Mr. Søren Gade</i> , Speaker of the Danish Parliament <i>Mr. Lars Løkke Rasmussen</i> , Minister for Foreign Affairs of Denmark (video message)
10:00 – 12:00	The CFSP/CDSP priorities and strategies. The future of European Foreign Policy and Security <i>Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center</i> <i>Chair:</i> <i>Mr. David McAllister</i> , Chair of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the European Parliament <i>Address:</i> Ms Benedikta von Seherr-Thoss, EEAS Managing Director for Peace, Security and Defence Exchange of views
12:00	Family photo
12:00 – 13:30	Buffet lunch hosted by the Danish Parliament <i>Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center</i>

13:30 – 15:00

Session I: Europe's strategic moment: Enhancing EU and NATO complementarity in defence, deterrence and global disruption
Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center

Chair:

Ms. Marie-Agnes Strack-Zimmermann, Chair of the Committee on Security and Defence of the European Parliament

Addresses:

Mr. Troels Lund Poulsen, Danish Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Defence

Mr. Michael Zilmer-Johns, former Ambassador of Denmark to NATO, former Special Advisor on Security and Defence to the EU High Representative on Foreign Affairs

Exchange of views

15:00 – 15:30

Coffee break

Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center

15:30 – 17:00

Session II: Urgent debate - Europe united: Defending freedom, democracy and a sovereign Ukraine

Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center

Chair:

Mr. Christian Friis Bach, Chair of the Committee on Foreign Policy of the Danish Parliament

Addresses:

Ms. Yulia Svyrydenko, Prime Minister of Ukraine

Mr. Oleksandr Merezhko, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Ukrainian Parliament

Exchange of views

28 August 2025, Thursday

08:00

Participants of the IPC leave from the hotels to Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center

08:30 – 10:00

Two breakout sessions:

1. Addressing migration: Advancing cooperation with third countries

Chair: Trine Pertou Mach, Member of the Committee on Foreign Policy of the Danish Parliament

Ms. Aija Kalnaja, Deputy Executive Director for Capabilities at FRONTEX

Mr. Gerald Knaus, Chairman of the European Stability Initiative

2. Europe's role in a changing/turbulent Middle east: Crafting a coherent EU response

Chair: Mr. Christian Friis Bach, Chair of the Committee on Foreign Policy of the Danish Parliament

Mr. Luigi Di Maio, EU Special Representative for the Gulf region

Mr. Julien Barnes-Dacey, director of the Middle East & North Africa

programme, European Council on Foreign Relations

10:00 – 10:30

Coffee break

10:30 – 12:00

Session III: Beyond Borders: Enlargement as a strategic Investment in Europe's Security

Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center

Chair:

Mr. Lars-Christian Brask, Deputy Speaker of the Danish Parliament and Vice-chair of the Danish Foreign Policy Committee

Addresses:

Mr. Miroslav Lajčák, former Minister for Foreign and European Affairs of Slovakia, former EU Special Representative for the Belgrade-Pristina Dialogue and other Western Balkan regional issues

Ms. Marie Bjerre, Minister for European Union Affairs of Denmark

Ms. Cristina Gherasimov, Deputy Prime Minister for European Integration of Moldova

12:00 – 13:30

Buffet lunch hosted by the Danish Parliament

Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center

13:30 – 15:00

Session IV: Critical infrastructure, Societal Resilience, Energy/Climate

Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center

Chair:

Flemming Møller Mortensen, member of the Committee on Foreign Policy of the Danish Parliament

Addresses:

Mr. Dan Jørgensen, Commissioner on Energy and Housing

Mr. Torsten Schack Pedersen, Minister for Societal Resilience and Contingency

Exchange of views

15:00 – 15:30

Closing of the IPC

Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center

Address:

Mr. Christian Friis Bach, Chair of the Committee on Foreign Policy of the Danish Parliament

Mr. Harris Georgiades, Chair of the Committee on Foreign and European Affairs of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Cyprus

15:30

Departure of delegations