



## **IPEX CONCLUSIONS**

*adopted by the Secretaries General at their meeting in Copenhagen, 2 February 2026*

1. The Secretaries General take note of the Annual Report 2025 on the current status of IPEX and express their appreciation towards the IPEX Board for its work in 2025.
2. The Secretaries General approve the following composition of the IPEX Board for the duration of the Danish Chairmanship scheduled to begin after the Conference of Speakers of the European Union Parliaments on 3–5 May 2026 in Copenhagen until the next Conference of Speakers of the European Union Parliaments due in 2027 in Dublin:

***Ex officio members***

- Denmark (Danish Parliament as Chair)
- Ireland (Houses of the Oireachtas)
- Greece (Hellenic Parliament)
- Cyprus (House of Representatives)
- European Parliament

***National Parliaments willing to actively participate in the Board and its activities:***

- Austria (National Council and Federal Council)
- Bulgaria (National Assembly)
- Finland (Finnish Parliament)
- France (National Assembly and Senate)
- Germany (Bundestag)
- Hungary (National Assembly)
- Italy (Chamber of Deputies and Senate)
- Luxembourg (Chamber of Deputies)
- The Netherlands (Senate)
- Poland (Sejm)
- Portugal (Assembly of the Republic of Portugal)
- Romania (Chamber of Deputies and Senate)
- Slovenia (National Assembly)
- Spain (Congress of Deputies and Senate)
- Sweden (Swedish Parliament)

According to the IPEX Guidelines, the IPEX Information Officer, COSAC, the ECPRD, the European Commission, and the Council also participate in and contribute to IPEX Board meetings.

3. Secretaries General reaffirm that IPEX is a unique platform in the field of interparliamentary cooperation, which connects, enables and empowers parliamentary administrations to work in the best interest of cooperation between parliaments in the EU that reinforces democratic processes.

4. Secretaries General stress that information on IPEX should be reliable, accurate, up-to-date and accessible for all. They encourage participating parliaments to make maximal use of the IPEX platform during their work and to fully tap the potential of the platform, bearing in mind that parliaments have the sole responsibility for the content they publish.
5. Secretaries General recognise that training of national correspondents is a key element in the success of IPEX. As IPEX continues to develop, correspondents have to be equipped with the necessary knowledge, skills and competences as well as parliamentary administrations support to fulfil their tasks, which is all the more important considering possible future developments.
6. Secretaries General are aware of both the risks and potentials modern information technology presents to our democracies. They nonetheless believe that IPEX should not miss out on the use of innovative solutions, such as artificial intelligence for the benefit of all. The use of modern technologies should be explored while excluding risks, bearing in mind the principles underscored in paragraph 4.
7. Secretaries General highlight the importance of promoting IPEX by improving the visibility of the platform especially during the Parliamentary Dimension of a Council Presidency.
8. Secretaries General recognise the importance of IPEX not only as a tool, but also as a network of people. This network should be fostered and developed further. The Secretaries General encourage Parliaments/Chambers to get engaged in cooperation through IPEX, initiate meetings both online and offline.
9. Secretaries General thank the Italian Chamber of Deputies and the Italian Senate for generously hosting the IPEX User's Conference in Rome, the 28 March 2025.
10. It was the Rome User's Conference where the third edition of the User's Survey was launched. Secretaries General welcome the outcome of the 2025 User's Survey and further underline that parliamentary users' needs should be at the forefront of the technical development of IPEX. The Secretaries General also welcome the results of the technical questionnaire, which targeted correspondents and mapped their needs and expectations vis-à-vis the platform.
11. Secretaries General welcome that the Board Meeting of 26 June 2025 was organised in-person in Budapest and that it was directly linked to the annual Meeting of Correspondents on the 27 June 2025 in Budapest.
12. Secretaries General recognize the work accomplished as part of the three-year IPEX Work Programme (2024–2026) and invite the Board to continue the implementation already with an eye on the upcoming IPEX Work Programme for 2027-2029.
13. Secretaries General reiterate that IPEX is to become a one-stop-shop for interparliamentary cooperation within the European Union. In this spirit

Secretaries General welcome the new functionalities of IPEX, with special regard to education and information programmes on democracy in European dimension, where IPEX could serve as a platform for sharing best practices.

14. Secretaries General thank the Belgian Senate for their availability in employing the IPEX Information Officer.
15. Secretaries General thank the European Parliament for providing financial and technical support of IPEX.
16. Secretaries General call on National Parliaments to actively share information on democracy support activities through the Democracy Support Network and the IPEX platform.
17. Secretaries General thank the Hungarian National Assembly for chairing the IPEX Board and welcome the Danish Parliament as chair after the Conference of Speakers of European Union Parliaments to be organised on 3-5 May 2026.