





## **Conference of Speakers of the European Union Parliaments**

Prague, Czech Republic April 24 - 25, 2023

Venue: Prague Congress Centre

# **Draft programme**

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#### **Sunday, April 23, 2023**

Arrivals of participants, transport to the session hotels

16:15 Bus transport to the meeting followed by a dinner for female presidents and speakers

17:00 Meeting followed by a dinner for female presidents and speakers hosted by the

Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies of the Czech Parliament, Ms Markéta Pekarová

Adamová

Venue: Prague Crossroads

21:00 Return to the session hotels

#### Monday, April 24, 2023

Arrivals of participants, transport to the session hotels

**11:15** Departure on foot to the Prague Congress Centre for Troika members

11:20 Welcome of the Troika meeting participants by the President of the Czech Senate

and the Speaker of the Czech Chamber of Deputies

Photo opportunity and possible doorsteps

11:30 Troika meeting (Slovenia, Czech Republic, Spain, European Parliament)

12:00 Briefing for interpreters (interpreters from the Troika meeting may join later)

12:45 - 13:15 Departure on foot for the Prague Congress Centre for all participants, successive

welcome of participants by the President of the Czech Senate and the Speaker of the

Czech Chamber of Deputies, handshakes and photo opportunity

13:30 Opening session – Prague Congress Centre

Video message of four highest constitutional officials of the Czech Republic

Welcome address by Mr Miloš Vystrčil, President of the Czech Senate

Welcome address by Ms Markéta Pekarová Adamová, Speaker of the Czech Chamber

of Deputies

Welcome address by Mr Vít Rakušan, Minister of Interior of the Czech Republic

14:00 Session I - Russian aggression against Ukraine and the EU response in a broader

geopolitical context (EU enlargement, energy security, post-war reconstruction)

Opening speech by Ms Markéta Pekarová Adamová, Speaker of the Czech Chamber of

**Deputies** 

Speech by the special guest: Mr Ruslan Stefanchuk, Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada

of Ukraine

Keynote speakers:

- Ms Elzbieta Witek, Marshal of the Sejm of the Republic of Poland

Mr Andreas Norlén, Speaker of the Swedish Riksdag

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- Ms Meritxell Batet Lamaña, Speaker of the Spanish Congress of Deputies

**Debate** 

16:00 Family photo followed by a coffee break

16:30 Resumption of debate

18:00 End of Day I, return to the session hotels

19:30 Bus transport to the gala dinner reception venue

20:00 Gala reception given by the President of the Czech Senate Mr Miloš Vystrčil and the

Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies Ms Markéta Pekarová Adamová in the presence

of the President of the Czech Republic Mr Petr Pavel

Venue: Prague Castle, Spanish Hall

22:00 – 23:00 Return to the session hotels

### Tuesday, April 25, 2023

9:15	Departure on foot to the Prague Congress Centre	_
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9:30 Session II - Role of the EU in global cooperation of democracies and the issue of EU member states' dependence on totalitarian regimes (information warfare,

disinformation, security of supply chains, strategic autonomy etc.)

Opening addresses by:

- Mr Miloš Vystrčil, President of the Czech Senate

Mr Jan Lipavský, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic

#### Keynote speakers:

- Ms Roberta Metsola, President of the European Parliament

- Mr Tomasz Grodzki, Speaker of the Senate of the Republic of Poland

- Mr Wolfgang Sobotka, President of the National Council of Austria

#### Debate

11:00 Coffee break

11:30 Resumption of the Session II

13:00 Debate and adoption of the Conclusions, final remarks

13:30 Press conference of the President of the Czech Senate and Speaker of the Czech

**Chamber of Deputies** 

13:45 Buffet lunch

Venue: Prague Congress Centre - ZOOM Restaurant

Return by foot to the session hotels/ departures for the airport

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