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## Virtual COSAC

Draft Programme (as of 27 October 2020)

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*All time specifications refer to CET.*

### Monday, 30 November 2020

9.00 – 9.15

#### **Opening of the conference**

- Welcome address by Dr Wolfgang Schäuble, President of the German Bundestag
- Introductory remarks by Mr Gunther Krichbaum, Chairman of the Committee on EU Affairs of the German Bundestag
- Adoption of the agenda for the virtual COSAC

9.15 – 9.30

#### **Procedural issues and miscellaneous matters**

- Briefing on the results of the meeting of the Presidential Troika of COSAC
- Presentation of key findings of the 34<sup>th</sup> Bi-annual Report of COSAC
- Letters received by the Presidency
- AOB

9.30 – 10.30

#### **Session I: „Aktuelle Stunde“**

(Exchange on a topic to be named at short notice and of current particular interest)

Debate

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10.30 – 11.00 Break

11.00 – 13.00 **Session II: Lessons learned from the corona crisis – Cooperation in the EU in the event of pandemics and in health care**

Keynote Speakers: Mr Jens Spahn, Federal Minister of Health (tbc);  
Dr Andrea Ammon, Director of the European  
Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (tbc)

Debate

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch break

14.00 – 15.30 **Session III: Review of the German EU Presidency**

Keynote Speaker: Dr Angela Merkel, Chancellor of the Federal  
Republic of Germany

Debate

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**Tuesday, 1 December 2020**

9.00 – 10.30

**Session IV: The Future of the European Union**

Keynote Speaker: Dr Ursula von der Leyen, President of the European Commission

Debate

10.30 – 11.00

Break

11.00 – 12.30

**Session V: Europe's role in the world – A responsible partnership with Africa**

Keynote Speaker: Professor Dr Horst Köhler, President of the Federal Republic of Germany (2004-2010)

Joint debate with representatives of the African Union (tbc)

12.30 – 12.45

**Closing remarks by the Chairs**