



INTERPARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE ON STABILITY, ECONOMIC COORDINATION AND GOVERNANCE IN THE EUROPEAN UNION

16 – 18 OCTOBER 2016, BRATISLAVA

DRAFT PROGRAMME (AS OF 5th OCTOBER 2016)

Sunday, 16 October 2016

14:00 – 19:00 Arrival of delegations and registration for the meeting at the hotels

Monday, 17 October 2016

08:30 Departure from the hotels by bus to the National Council of the Slovak Republic

08:30 – 10:00 Registration (for those not yet registered)

Meetings of the political groups

09:00 – 09:45

Group of the European People's Party
(Hall of Knights)



Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats
(Western Terrace, MPs Club)



Group of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe
(Western Terrace, Room No. 158)



Group of the European United Left–Nordic Green Left
(Western Terrace, Room No. 192)



Venue:

Bratislava Castle, Námestie Alexandra Dubčeka 1, Bratislava

09:15 Departure from the hotels by bus to the Bratislava Castle (other participants)



Opening session of the Conference

10:00 – 10:35

Welcome address by Mr **Andrej HRNČIAR**

Deputy Speaker of the National Council of the Slovak Republic

Introductory remarks by Mr **Ladislav KAMENICKÝ**

Chair of the Financial and Budgetary Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic

Introductory contribution by Mr **Igor KOSÍR**

Professor of international relations at the Faculty of Political Sciences and International Relations, Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica

Venue:

Bratislava Castle (Winter Riding School)

Námestie Alexandra Dubčeka 1, Bratislava

10:35 – 10:50

Family photo

Venue:

Bratislava Castle (staircase of the Garden Pavilion / Ceremonial Staircase)

Námestie A. Dubčeka 1, Bratislava

10:35 – 11:10

Coffee break

Venue:

Bratislava Castle (Music Hall & 1st Floor of the North Wing)

Námestie A. Dubčeka 1, Bratislava



Session 1:
Strengthening the Social dimension of the EMU

11:20 – 13:00

Chaired by Mr Ladislav KAMENICKÝ

Chair of the Financial and Budgetary Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic

Moderated by Mr Ľuboš BLAHA

Chair of the European Affairs Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic

Keynote speech by Ms Marianne THYSSEN

European Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs, Skills and Labour Mobility

Address by Ms Maria João RODRIGUES

Member of the Committee on Employment and Social Affairs, European Parliament

Address by Mr Michael SMYTH

Vice-President of the European Economic and Social Committee

Address by Mr Zsolt DARVAS

Senior Fellow at Bruegel (Brussels); Research Fellow at the Institute of Economics of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences; Associate Professor at the Corvinus University of Budapest

Address by Mr Jan KELLER

Professor of Sociology; Member of the Committee on Employment and Social Affairs, European Parliament

Debate

Venue:

*Bratislava Castle (Winter Riding School)
Námestie Alexandra Dubčeka 1, Bratislava*

13:00 – 14:20

Lunch

Venue:

*Bratislava Castle (Music Hall & 1st Floor of the North Wing)
Námestie A. Dubčeka 1, Bratislava*

Session 2:
Fight against Tax Evasion in the EU

14:30 – 16:10

Chaired by Mr Ladislav KAMENICKÝ

Chair of the Financial and Budgetary Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic

Moderated by Ms Dana MEAGER

State Secretary of the Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic

Keynote speech by Mr Prem SIKKA

Professor of Accounting and Director of the Centre for Global Accountability at the University of Essex, UK

Address by Mr Bernardus ZUIJDENDORP

Head of Unit Company Taxation Initiatives, Directorate-General for Taxation and Customs Union, European Commission

Address by Mr Richard MURPHY

Professor of Practice in International Political Economy at City University London; Director of Tax Research, UK

Address by Mr Fabio DE MASI

Vice-Chair of the Committee of Inquiry to investigate alleged contraventions and maladministration in the application of Union law in relation to money laundering, tax avoidance and tax evasion; Member of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, European Parliament

Debate

Venue:

*Bratislava Castle (Winter Riding School)
Námestie Alexandra Dubčeka 1, Bratislava*

16:20 – 17:00

Press briefing

Venue:

*Bratislava Castle
Námestie A. Dubčeka 1, Bratislava*

16:30

Return to the hotels by bus

19:00

Departure from the hotels by bus to the Bratislava Castle

Official dinner

19:15 – 21:30

Musical performance

Speech by Mr Ladislav KAMENICKÝ

Chair of the Financial and Budgetary Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic

Dinner

Venue:

*Bratislava Castle (Art Gallery)
Námestie Alexandra Dubčeka 1, Bratislava*

21:50 Return to the hotels by bus

Tuesday, 18 October 2016

08:15 Departure from the hotels by bus to the Bratislava Castle

**Session 3:
Automatic Stabilisers as a Building Block of the Fiscal Union
Architecture**

09:00 – 10:40

Chaired by Mr Ladislav KAMENICKÝ

Chair of the Financial and Budgetary Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic

Moderated by Mr Ivan ŠRAMKO

Chair of the Council for Budget Responsibility

Keynote speech by Mr László ANDOR

*Professor at the Economics Department at the Corvinus University of Budapest; European
Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion (2010-2014)*

Address by Mr Marco BUTI

*Director-General at the Directorate-General for Economic and Financial Affairs at the European
Commission*

Address by Ms Pervenche BERÈS

Member of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, European Parliament

Address by Mr Jean ARTHUIS

Chair of the Committee on Budgets, European Parliament



Address by Mr Michal POLÁK

General Government Counsel, Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic

Debate

Venue:

*Bratislava Castle (Winter Riding School)
Námestie Alexandra Dubčeka 1, Bratislava*

10:40 – 11:10 Coffee break

Venue:

*Bratislava Castle (Music Hall & 1st Floor of the North Wing)
Námestie A. Dubčeka 1, Bratislava*

Session 4:

**Common Investment Programme as a Tool for Macroeconomic
Stabilisation in the EU**

11:20 – 13:00

Chaired by Mr Ladislav KAMENICKÝ

Chair of the Financial and Budgetary Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic

Moderated by (tbc)

Keynote speech by Mr Peter KAŽIMÍR

*Chair of the Economic and Financial Affairs Council (ECOFIN); Minister of Finance of the
Slovak Republic*

Address by Mr Roberto GUALTIERI

Chair of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, European Parliament

Address by Mr Gerassimos THOMAS

*Chair of the Steering Board of the European Fund for Strategic Investment; Deputy Director-
General at the Directorate-General for Energy at the European Commission*

Address by Ms Teresa CAEIRO

Vice-President of the Assembly of the Republic of Portugal

Address by Mr Andrew WATT

Head of the Macroeconomic Policy Institute of the Hans-Böckler Foundation

Debate

Venue:

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Closing remarks

13:00 – 13:20

Address by Mr Ladislav KAMENICKÝ

Chair of the Financial and Budgetary Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic

Address by Mr Roberto GUALTIERI

Chair of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, European Parliament

Venue:

Bratislava Castle (Winter Riding School)

Námestie Alexandra Dubčeka 1, Bratislava

13:30 – 14:00

Press briefing

Venue:

Bratislava Castle

Námestie A. Dubčeka 1, Bratislava

13:20 – 15:00

Lunch

Venue:

Bratislava Castle (Music Hall & 1st Floor of the North Wing)

Námestie A. Dubčeka 1, Bratislava

15:00

Return to the hotels by bus

Departures of delegations