



#EuropeanSemester

18 - 19 February 2020
European Parliament, Brussels

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

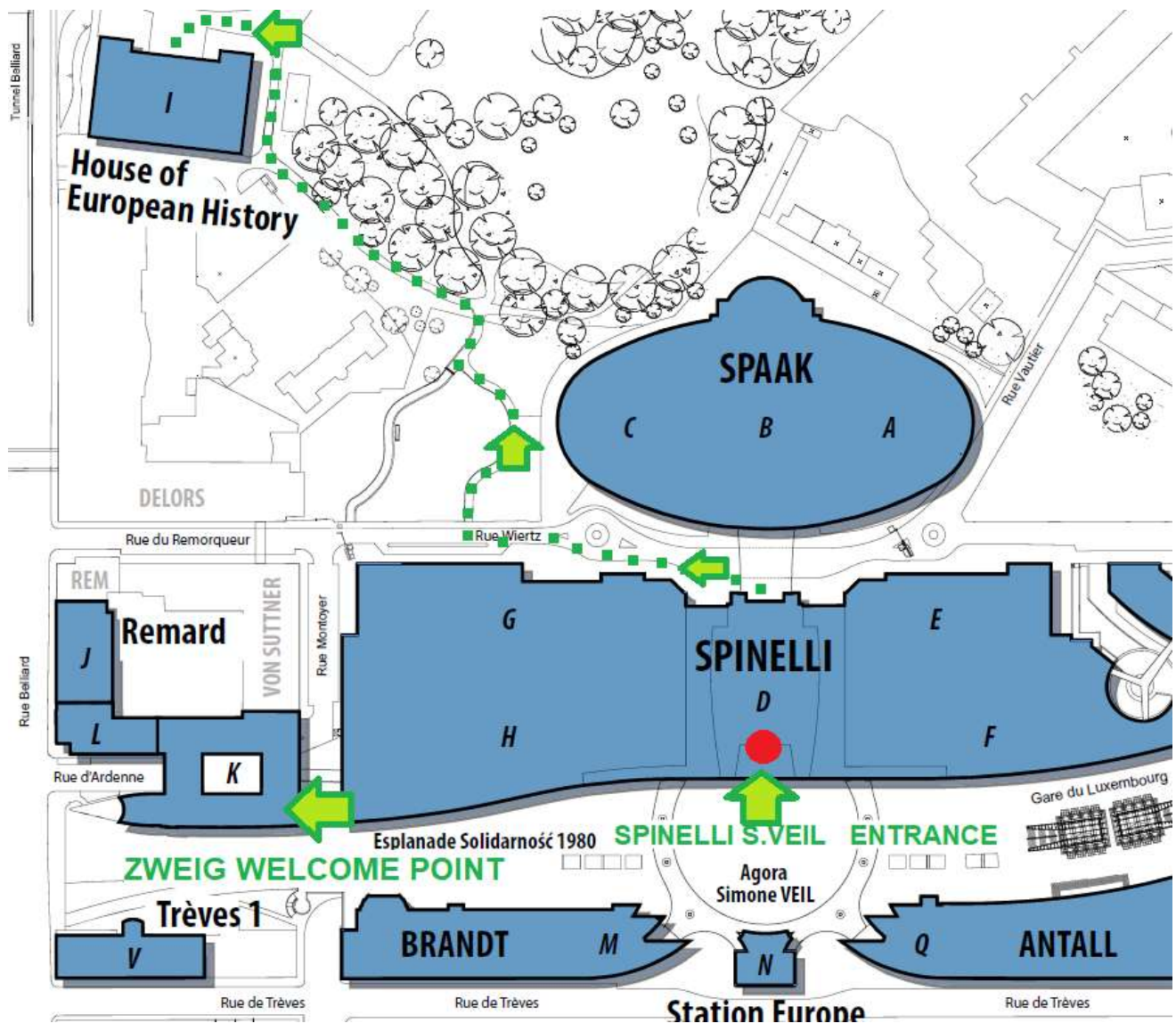
European Parliamentary Week 2020 (EPW) is co-organised by the European Parliament and the Croatian Parliament and covers:

- The **European Semester Conference**; and
- The **Interparliamentary Conference on Stability, Economic Coordination and Governance in the European Union**.

ARRIVAL AND DISTRIBUTION OF ACCESS CARDS

Registered participants from national Parliaments can collect their access cards at the **“ZWEIG Welcome Point” (Esplanade Solidarność entrance)**. It is on the left-hand side of the Altiero Spinelli building (SPINELLI) when viewed from Place du Luxembourg and opposite of the Parliamentarium marked on the map below

After having picked up their badges at the registration desk, participants can enter the European Parliament through the “Simone Veil” entrance of the Altiero Spinelli building (marked with a red circle below).



Registered participants can collect their access cards from the registration desk during the following hours:

Tuesday, 18 February 2020, 11h30 - 15h00
Wednesday, 19 February 2020, 8h30 - 09h00

Alternatively, the Brussels-based representatives of the national Parliaments accredited to the European Parliament can collect the access cards for their delegations from the office of **Ms Raluca Nastase-Anysz** and **Ms Cristina Hellara** ([office MTY 70/ 07R026](#)) on **Monday 17 February** from 09h30 to 12h30 and 14h30 to 16h30 and **Tuesday 18 February** from 09h30 to 11h00. After the Brussels-based representatives collect the access cards for their delegation, they are entirely responsible for their distribution to the delegation members.

Participants will receive one single access card which will be valid from 18 to 19 February 2020, and should, therefore, keep it for the whole duration of EPW.

PLEASE NOTE THAT DUE TO THE HEIGHTENED SECURITY ALERT LEVEL AT THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, ALL MEETING PARTICIPANTS:

- must show a valid official passport or photo-ID before entering the building;
- must undergo security controls at the entrance of the premises;
- are advised to carry the invitation letter or any other document that clearly indicates their participation.

Participants should carry their access card visibly throughout their stay in the European Parliament.

The security department of the European Parliament will do its utmost to minimise the queuing time at the security controls for participants of European Parliamentary Week. Please note that given the number of participants attending this event, it is recommended that participants leave sufficient time to pass through security controls.

In case of inquiries regarding the access cards please contact **Ms Raluca Nastase-Anysz** (raluca.nastase-anysz@ep.europa.eu), Tel. +32 (0) 2 28 42131 or **Ms Cristina Hellara**, (cristina.hellara@ep.europa.eu), Tel. +32 (0) 2 28 46414. During the conference, please use the mobile phone: + 32 (0) 470 18 18 96)

INTERPRETATION

During the entire event, interpretation will be provided into and from all official languages of the European Union (apart from Irish) and the candidate countries.

MEETING DOCUMENTS

Meeting documents are now available at <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/relnatparl/en/high-level-conferences/european-parliamentary-week.html>. This site contains information such as background documents, notes and briefings) and participants are kindly invited to visit it regularly. Some documents will be available at the entrance to the Hemicycle.

SPEAKING TIME

Please note that speaking time will be limited to 2 minutes during the debate due to the very high number of participants. The Chair will ensure that all Parliaments/Chambers can participate in the discussion and may adapt the speaking time in accordance with the number of requests for interventions received.

Speaking cards will be available for each session and participants are kindly asked to fill them in and hand them to the ushers.

WALKING DINNER

All Members from national Parliaments are cordially invited to a walking dinner at the House of European History (Rue Belliard 135, Brussels 1000) on **Tuesday, 18 February 2020**, from **19h15 to 21h00**.

After the ICMs, ushers will accompany the guests from the European Parliament building to the House of European History (HEH). If you carry your luggage* with you during the meetings, please take it with you to the HEH as there is no storage area within the European Parliament.

Please see the [map](#) above for the location of the House of European History.

LUNCH

All participants from national Parliaments are cordially invited to a buffet lunch on **Wednesday, 19 February 2020**, from **12h30 to 14h00** at the "Yehudi Menuhin" space on the 1st floor of the Paul-Henri Spaak building (SPAAK).

WATER, TEA AND COFFEE

The plenary sessions of the European Parliamentary Week on 18 and 19 February will take place in the Chamber (Hemicycle). Please note that eating and drinking is prohibited in the Chamber.

Water fountains are located in the main passageways of the EP. There is also a water fountain opposite to the Chamber (outside the meeting room 3C050).

Coffee will be provided in the antichambre / foyer of the Hemicycle on Wednesday, 19 February 2020 from 09h00 to 11h30.

The following coffee bars are close to the meeting rooms:

Paul-Henri Spaak building (SPAAK):
HEMICYCLE BAR (level 3): open from 8h00 to 19h00

József Antall building (ANTAL):
JAN BRASSERIE (level 3): open from 8h00 to 15h00

CLOAKROOM

Coats may be left (unguarded) on coat racks outside the meeting rooms and, for the walking dinner, in the House of European History. The European Parliament declines responsibility for any damage, loss or theft of items.

LOST AND FOUND OBJECTS

If found, any lost objects will be sent to the European Parliament's "lost & found" service on the ground floor of the Altiero Spinelli building.

Lost Property Office

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LUGGAGE*

For security reasons there are no storage locked areas, therefore we strongly recommend you to leave any luggage at the hotel.

SMOKING

Please note that smoking is not permitted in the EP premises except in the designated areas. A smoking room is situated by the Hemicycle bar on the third floor.

TAXIS / PUBLIC TRANSPORT

A taxi rank and Brussels airport bus stop are located at Place du Luxembourg, by the entrance of the European Parliament. More information about public transport is available here: <http://www.stib.be/index.htm?l=en>.

PRIVATE CAR

The city of Brussels has introduced a system of obligatory registration of cars with foreign car plates entering the territory of Brussels Capital region as of July 2018. Further information on this can be found on this website: <https://www.lez.brussels/en/content/my-vehicle>

WIFI

Throughout the European Parliamentary Week, participants will be able to access the European Parliament's wireless internet network for visitors. Please note that no workstations or computer rooms will be available during EPW.

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