Inter-parliamentary Conference

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THE EU IMMIGRATION AND ASYLUM POLICY: IMPLICATIONS FOR THE PARLIAMENTS OF THE ENLARGEMENT COUNTRIES

with Members of the Pre-Accession Countries’ Parliaments and the European Parliament

Brussels, 20 June - 21 June 2016

Meeting room:
European Parliament, Altiero Spinelli building, 5E2

PROGRAMME
Monday 20 June 2016

In the Chair: Ms Iliana Iotova, MEP, Vice-Chair of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs, Vice-Chair of the Delegation to the EU-Montenegro Stabilisation and Association Parliamentary Committee

14.15 -15.00 Arrival and registration of the participants inside the (ex)INFOPOINT on the Esplanade Solidarność

15.00 - 15.15 Opening of the inter-parliamentary conference: Welcome address

Ms Ska Keller, MEP, Substitute Member of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs, Member of the Delegation to the EU-Turkey Joint Parliamentary Committee

15.15 - 16.00 The EU asylum and immigration policy: the perspective of the European Commission

Mr Olivier Onidi, Deputy Director General, DG Migration and Home Affairs, European Commission

Questions and Debate

16.00 -16.15 Coffee break

16.15 - 17.00 The role of Parliaments in dealing with the migration crisis: a holistic approach to Migration, Asylum and Borders

Ms Laura Ferrara, MEP, Member of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs

Mr Vuk Roćen, MP, Member of the Committee on Human Rights and Freedoms, the Parliament of Montenegro

Questions and Debate

17.00 - 17.45 The role of Parliaments in addressing the current crisis with responsibility and solidarity mechanisms

Ms Eliza Vozemberg, MEP, Substitute Member of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs, Member of the Delegation to the EU-Turkey Joint Parliamentary Committee

Mr Fadil Demaku, MP, Vice-Chair of the Committee on Internal Affairs, Security and Supervision of the Kosovo Security Force, Assembly of Kosovo

Questions and Debate

1 This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSC 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence.
17.45 - 18.30  The role of Parliaments in providing an emergency response to evolving situations in migration, asylum and border management

Ms Cecilia Wikström, MEP, Member of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs

Mr Vladimir Gjorchev, MP, Chair of the Committee on Defense and Security, Assembly of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Questions and Debate

19.00 - 20.30  Dinner offered by the European Parliament
(Member’s salon – Salon 6 - ASP O G - Groundfloor) Only on invitation

Tuesday 21 June 2016

In the Chair:  Mr Ryszard Czarnecki, Vice-President of the European Parliament

08.45 - 09.30  Arrival and registration of the participants inside the (ex)INFOPOINT on the Esplanade Solidarność

09.30 - 10.15  The EU migration crisis: the situation on the EU borders with the enlargement countries

Mr Fabrice Leggeri, Executive Director, FRONTEX

Questions and Debate

10.15 - 11.00  Improved parliamentary oversight of the executive and enhancement of operational capabilities

Mr Manolis Kefalogiannis, MEP, Chair of the Delegation to the EU-Turkey Joint Parliamentary Committee, Member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs

MP, Enlargement Parliament

Questions and Debate

11.00 - 11.15  Coffee break

11.15 - 12.00  The Parliaments as public policy making forums bringing together the executive and civil society

Mr Angel Dzhambazki, MEP, Vice-Chair of the Delegation to the EU-Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Joint Parliamentary Committee, Substitute Member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs

MP, Enlargement Parliament

Questions and Debate
12.00 - 12.45  Strengthening of the inter-parliamentary cooperation and the regional cooperation of competent authorities

Ms Ana Gomes, MEP, Member of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs, Substitute Member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs
MP, Enlargement Parliament

Questions and Debate

12.45 - 13.00  Closing remarks by the Chair