



## European Semester Conference - Inter-parliamentary Conference on Stability, Economic Coordination and Governance in the European Union -

Co-organised by

European Parliament and Croatian Parliament  
European Parliament, Brussels, 18 - 19 February 2020

### Tuesday, 18 February 2020

- 11.30 - 14.00** Registration of participants from national Parliaments  
Registration desk “Event Participants and Guests” (ZWEIG Welcome Point, Esplanade level)
- 12.00 - 14.30** Political group meetings:  
**12:00 - 14:00** S&D (SPA AK 01C047)  
**12:30 - 14:30** Renew (Members' salon)  
**13:00 - 14:30** EPP (SPINELLI ASP 5H1)
- 14.45 - 17.00** Plenary: **Widening and deepening of EMU Governance: What next?**  
Meeting room: Hemicycle (SPA AK, 3rd floor)  
Co-chaired by *Irene Tinagli*, the Chair of the Economic and Monetary Committee of the European Parliament and *Grozdana Perić*, Chair, Finance and Central Budget Committee of the Croatian Parliament  
*Introductory remarks by:*  
*ECOFIN priorities: Zdravko Marić*, Chair of ECOFIN and Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance of the Republic of Croatia  
*Eurogroup priorities: Mário Centeno*, President of the Eurogroup  
*European Commission priorities: Valdis Dombrovskis*, Executive Vice-President of the Commission and *Paolo Gentiloni*, Commissioner for Economy  
*Monetary policy outlook: Fabio Panetta*, Member of the Executive Board of the European Central Bank  
*Exchange of views among Members of National Parliaments and Members of the European Parliament in the presence of representatives from the Committee of Regions and the European Economic and Social Committee*

**17.15 - 19.00 Inter-parliamentary Committee Meetings (in parallel):**

**Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (ECON)**

Meeting room: SPINELLI 3C050

**Session 1: Towards a new international tax system?**

Co-chaired by *Irene Tinagli*, the Chair of the ECON Committee of the European Parliament and *Boris Lalovac*, Vice-Chair, Finance and Central Budget Committee of the Croatian Parliament

*Introductory remarks by:*

*Paolo Gentiloni*, Commissioner for Economy

*Pascal Saint-Amans*, Director of the Centre for Tax Policy and Administration at the OECD

*Grozdana Perić*, Chair, Finance and Central Budget Committee of the Croatian Parliament

*Hans Michelbach*, Finance Committee, German Parliament

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**Session 2: From transparency to sustainability: Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) objectives in financial services**

Co-chaired by *Irene Tinagli*, Chair of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs of the European Parliament and *Grozdana Perić*, Chair, Finance and Central Budget Committee of the Croatian Parliament

*Introductory remarks by:*

*John Berrigan*, Acting Director General of DG FISMA, European Commission

*Boris Lalovac*, Vice-Chair, Finance and Central Budget Committee of the Croatian Parliament

*Bettina Stark-Watzinger*, Chair, Finance Committee, German Parliament

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**Committee on Employment and Social Affairs (EMPL)**

Meeting room: ANTALL 6Q2

Co-chaired by *Lucia Ďuriš Nicholsonová*, Chair, Committee on Employment and Social Affairs of the European Parliament and *Gordan Maras*, Chair, Labour, Retirement System and Social Partnership Committee of the Croatian Parliament

**Session 1: A European Child Guarantee as a tool to fight poverty**

*Introductory remarks by:*

**Dubravka Šuica**, Vice-President of the European Commission, Democracy and Demography

**Nicolas Schmit**, European Commissioner for Jobs and Social Rights

**Eduardo Barroco de Melo**, Committee on Labour and Social Security, Parliament of Portugal

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Session 2: **Fair minimum wages**

*Introductory remarks by:*

**Nicolas Schmit**, European Commissioner for Jobs and Social Rights

**Stergiani Biziou**, Standing Committee on Social Affairs, Greek Parliament

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#### **Committee on Budgets (BUDG):** Meeting room: ANTALL 4Q1

Co-chaired by **Johan Van Overtveldt**, Chair, Committee on Budgets, European Parliament and **Damir Mateljan**, Vice-Chair, Committee on Regional Development and European Union Funds, Croatian Parliament

Session: **How to make the EU budget under the next MFF fit to address global challenges**

*Introductory remarks by:*

**Johan Van Overtveldt**, Chair, Committee on Budgets, European Parliament

**Jan Olbrycht**, co-rapporteur on MFF, Committee on Budgets, European Parliament

**Margarida Marques**, co-rapporteur on MFF, Committee on Budgets, European Parliament

**José Manuel Fernandes**, co-rapporteur on Own resources, Committee on Budgets, European Parliament

**Valérie Hayer**, co-rapporteur on Own resources, Committee on Budgets, European Parliament

**Vincent Éblé**, Chair, Finance Committee, French Senate and **Laurent Saint-Martin**, Finance Committee, French National Assembly

**Ondřej Benešík**, Chair, Committee on European Affairs, Czech Chamber of Deputies

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*Concluding remarks by:*

*Damir Mateljan*, Vice-Chair, Committee on Regional Development and European Union Funds, Croatian Parliament

**19.15 - 21.00 Walking dinner**

House of European History

Co-hosted by *David Maria Sassoli*, President of the European Parliament and *Gordan Jandroković*, Speaker of the Croatian Parliament

**Wednesday, 19 February 2020**

**9.30 - 12.00 Plenary: Becoming a global leader in combating climate change: What role for EU economic, budgetary and social policies?**

Meeting room: Hemicycle (SPAANK, 3rd floor)

*Welcoming words by David Maria Sassoli*, the President of the European Parliament and *Gordan Jandroković*, Speaker of the Croatian Parliament

*Introductory remarks by:*

*A global perspective: Mark Carney*, incoming Special Envoy on Climate Action and Finance of the United Nations

*Just transition to Green jobs: A global perspective: Guy Ryder*, Director-General, International Labour Office

*How to finance the transition: Emma Navarro*, Vice President of the European Investment Bank

Co-chaired by *Mairead McGuinness*, Vice-President of the European Parliament and *Domagoj Ivan Milošević*, Chair of the European Affairs Committee of the Croatian Parliament,

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**12.00 - 12.20 Sustainable Europe Investment Plan: Valdis Dombrovskis** Executive Vice-President of the Commission

**12.20 - 12.30 Family photo** (in the Hemicycle)

**12.30 - 14.00 Walking lunch**

Espace Yehudi Menuhin (SPAANK, 1st floor)

**12.30 - 14.00 Political group meetings:**

**14.00 - 16.00 Plenary: Skills and jobs for inclusive growth: What can we learn from each other's experiences?**

Meeting room: Hemicycle (SPAANK, 3rd floor)

Co-chaired by **Dita Charanzová**, the Vice-President of the European Parliament and **Gordan Maras**, Chair of the Labour, Retirement System and Social Partnership Committee of the Croatian Parliament

*Introductory remarks by:*

*European Commission priorities:* **Nicolas Schmit**, Commissioner for Jobs and Social Rights

*National priorities:* **Merja Kyllönen**, Grand Committee, Parliament of Finland

*National priorities:* **Ante Babić**, Member, Labour, Retirement System and Social Partnership Committee, Croatian Parliament

*National priorities:* **Claudia Müller**, Member, Committee on Economic Affairs and Energy, German Parliament

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