

**XXXVIII COSAC**  
**Estoril Congress Center**  
**14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> of October 2007**

**Draft Programme**

(updated 20<sup>th</sup> July 2007)

**Sunday, 14 October 2007**

- Arrival of the delegations and registration for the COSAC meeting at the hotels (Estoril)
- 15.00** Sightseeing Tour
- 17.30-18.30** **COSAC Troika meeting** (Assembleia da República)
- 18.15** Departure from the hotel to Assembleia da República
- 19.00** Guided tour of the São Bento Palace (Assembleia da República)
- 20.00** Welcoming dinner offered by MP Vitalino Canas, Chairman of the Committee on European Affairs of the Assembleia da República (*Salão Nobre e Passos Perdidos*, Assembleia da República)
- 22.00** Return to the hotels (Estoril)

**Monday, 15 October 2007**

- 08.20** Departure from the hotels to the Estoril Congress Centre
- 08.30** Registration for the COSAC meeting (for those who have not registered)
- 08.35** Political Groups Meetings
- 09.15** **Opening Session of the XXXVIII COSAC, Chairman of the Committee on European Affairs, MP Vitalino Canas**
- Adoption of the Agenda of the XXXVIII COSAC
- 09.30** **Guest speaker: José Manuel Durão Barroso, President of the European Commission** (to be confirmed)
- Debate
- 11.00** Coffee break
- 11.15** **The Portuguese Presidency and the Future of Europe**  
**Guest speaker: José Sócrates, Prime-Minister of the Portuguese Republic**
- Debate
- 12.45** Group Photo
- 13.00** Buffet-lunch at the Estoril Congress Centre

- 15.00**                    **Revision of the COSAC Rules of Procedure**
- 15.15**                    **Presentation of the 8th Bianual Report**  
 - Overview of the EU scrutiny systems of the National Parliaments of EU 27  
 - National parliament's expectations from the IGC  
 - Parliamentary monitoring of the Lisbon Strategy  
 - The EU Mediterranean Dimension  
 - National Parliaments' monitoring of EU Financial programmes: priority setting and allocation of funds
- 16.15**                    Coffee break
- 16.30**                    **COSAC Secretariat – Appointment and co-financing of the Permanent Member for the Period 2008-2010**
- 17.00**                    **Debate on Future Topics for COSAC**  
 (Article 7 of the Rules of Procedure)
- 17.45**                    Return to the hotels for those not attending the meeting of the chairpersons
- 17.45**                    **Meeting of the Chairpersons for the Preparation of the Contribution and Conclusions of the XXXVIII COSAC**
- 19.15**                    Departure from the hotels
- 19.30**                    Official dinner at the *Palácio de Queluz*, hosted by H.E. the Speaker of Assembleia da República, MP Jaime Gama
- 21.30**                    Return to the hotels

**Tuesday, 16 October 2007**

- 08.45**                    Departure from the hotels
- 09.00**                    **The EU Mediterranean Dimension**  
**Guest Speakers:**  
**Luís Amado, Minister of State and Foreign Affairs of Portugal**  
**Mohamed Benaïssa, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Kingdom of Morocco**  
**Miguel Ángel Moratinos Cuyaubé, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Kingdom of Spain**
- 11.00**                    Coffee break
- 11.15**                    **Adoption of the Contribution and Conclusions of the XXXVIII COSAC**
- 12.30**                    **End of XXXVIII COSAC**
- 13.00**                    Buffet-Lunch at the Estoril Congress Centre, hosted by the Chairman of the European Affairs Committee, MP Vitalino Canas
- 15.00**                    Return to the hotels and departure