

Zagreb, 21 January 2020

Mr David Maria Sassoli, President of the European Parliament

Mr Gordan Grlić Radman, President-in-Office of the General Affairs Council

Ms Dubravka Šuica, Vice-President of the European Commission

Honourable President Sassoli, President-in-Office Grlić Radman and Vice-President Šuica,

On 20 January 2020, at the Meeting of the Chairpersons, COSAC pursued their discussion about the Conference on the future of Europe. The importance of such a Conference, inviting to a substantive, open discussion on all strategic topics, as well as institutional questions, became obvious.

This is why national parliaments/chambers must be involved in the Conference and its steering bodies and thus must also be part of the agenda setting. National parliaments/chambers, as well as the European Parliament, are not merely spectators but are equally responsible for shaping the future of the EU.

We therefore insist that the number of participating members of national parliaments/chambers should be at least equal to the number of participating members of the European Parliament.

In view of the ambitious timetable to set up the Conference and to agree on procedural issues, we thank you for taking our considerations into account.

With assurances of highest regards,

Domagoj Ivan Milošević

Chair of the European Affairs Committee
of the Croatian Hrvatski sabor

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Chair of the European Affairs Committee
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Chair of the Committee on European Union Questions
of the German Bundesrat

Satu Hassi

Chair of the Grand Committee
of the Finnish Eduskunta

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Chair of the European Union Policies Committee
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