



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PRESIDENTIAL TROIKA OF COSAC

WARSAW, POLAND, 8 JUNE 2025

PRESENT AT THE MEETING

CHAIR: Ms Agnieszka POMASKA, Chair of the European Union Affairs Committee of the Sejm of the Republic of Poland and Mr Tomasz GRODZKI, Chair of the European Union Affairs Committee of the Senate of the Republic of Poland;

Ms Brigitte KLINTSKOV JERKEL, Chair of the European Affairs Committee of the Danish *Folketing*;

Mr Henrik BERGGREN MØLLER, Vice-Chair of the European Affairs Committee of the Danish *Folketing*;

Mr Zoltán TESSELY, Chair of the Committee on European Affairs of the Hungarian *Országgyűlés*;

Mr Sven SIMON, Chair of the Committee on Constitutional Affairs of the European Parliament.

1. INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Ms POMASKA extended words of welcome to the members of the Presidential Troika, and informed that interpretation into Polish, English, Danish and Hungarian was provided throughout the meeting.

2. ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT AGENDA OF THE MEETING OF THE PRESIDENTIAL TROIKA OF COSAC

Mr GRODZKI introduced the [agenda of the Troika Meeting](#), which had been previously circulated to all delegations, and was adopted without amendments.

3. APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT PROGRAMME OF THE PLENARY MEETING OF THE LXXIII COSAC

Ms POMASKA highlighted the main points of the draft [Agenda of the LXXIII plenary meeting of COSAC](#). She noted that the draft agenda had been communicated to all delegations within the deadlines set out in the Rules of Procedure and it has been published on IPEX. Mr SIMON



commented on the fact that there was no speaker from the European Commission at any of the sessions, and that he found this unacceptable. The Chair agreed and regretted that despite best efforts of the Presidency, Commissioners declined invitations to attend the COSAC plenary meeting. On a technical note related to the agenda, Ms POMASKA mentioned the expected number of interventions during each session, as well as the time allocated for taking the floor. However, she also underlined that there would be a possibility to sign up to take the floor during the debate, which means that the final number of interventions, and therefore, the time frame, might be subject to change and would be announced before each session.

4. PRESENTATION OF THE 43RD BI-ANNUAL REPORT OF COSAC

The Permanent Member of the COSAC Secretariat, Mr Jakob SJÖVALL, gave a brief overview of the background and content of the [43rd Bi-annual Report of COSAC](#).

5. CO-FUNDING OF THE PERMANENT MEMBER OF THE COSAC SECRETARIAT

Mr GRODZKI informed the Troika members on the co-funding of the COSAC Permanent Member. The Polish Presidency had invited Parliaments/Chambers to renew their commitment to the co-financing agreement for the period from 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2027. He announced that 39 out of the 39 National Parliaments/Chambers had signed and sent their letters of intent indicating that they are willing to participate in the co-financing for the above stated period, and therefore the co-financing of the Permanent Member and the office of the COSAC Secretariat would continue.

Ms KLINTSKOV JERKEL took the floor and congratulated the Polish Presidency on achieving the continued support for the co-financing. She also referred to the incoming Danish Presidency, and reminded colleagues that during the Danish Presidency the appointment of the Permanent Member for the period 2026-2027 would be settled. In light of this, she brought the attention of the Troika members to the fact that under the current system, the co-financing only covers some costs associated with seconding the Permanent Member to the Secretariat. Notably, the salary is not covered by the co-financing mechanism. She announced that this may lead to difficulties in finding administrations who are willing to second a person for the position. Thus, in the interest of securing a long-term solution for the Secretariat, the Danish Presidency will strive to update the co-financing so that it will cover all costs associated with seconding one staff member to the position of Permanent Member. She noted that she would submit a concrete proposal to all delegations on a new financial arrangement based on full common financing as soon as the Danish Parliament takes over the presidency of COSAC on 1 July, to allow members to assess the idea on a fully informed basis. Ms KLINTSKOV



JERKEL informed that the new proposal would cost each Parliament an additional amount of approximately 3,000 EUR a year.

Mr GRODZKI thanked her for the information and emphasized that while amendments to the co-funding system could be discussed, the process would not begin during the Polish Presidency. Mr GRODZKI voiced the opinion that new arrangements could come into force in 2028, once the co-financing agreement for 2026–2027 expires. In the meantime, new terms for co-funding the COSAC Permanent Member could be developed.

6. DRAFT CONTRIBUTION AND CONCLUSIONS OF THE PLENARY MEETING OF THE LXXIII COSAC

Ms POMASKA introduced the procedure regarding the adoption of Contribution and Conclusions by the LXXIII COSAC.

She recalled that drafts of the COSAC Conclusions and Contribution had been circulated to delegations with the possibility to propose amendments until 30 May. She noted that several amendments to the draft Contribution had been put forward by delegations within the set deadline and that based on this, a draft compromise proposal of Contribution had been circulated to the Troika on 6 June. Additional proposals for changes to the draft Contribution were made during the meeting by Mr SIMON and Mr TESSELY. Following a discussion about these points, the Troika reached a consensus regarding its proposal for the draft Contribution, except for paragraph 10, which was noted in the document. The revised Troika compromise version of the draft Contribution was circulated to delegations after the meeting.

7. LETTERS RECEIVED BY THE PRESIDENCY

Mr GRODZKI went on to inform the Troika members about the letters received by the Presidency. These included requests to participate in the LXXIII COSAC meeting from the *Andorran Consell General*, *Armenian Azgayin Zhoghov*, *Monégasque National Council*, *Icelandic Alþingi*, and the *United Kingdom House of Commons*. After consultation with the Troika, these had been replied favourably. A letter had also been sent from the Chair of the European Affairs Committee of the Portuguese *Assembleia da República*, explaining the reasons the Portuguese committee wasn't able to participate. Similarly, there was a letter from the Chair of the Grand Committee of the Finnish *Eduskunta*, explaining that she was not able to attend and mentioning the Finish amendment to the draft Contribution. The Presidency had also received a letter from the Chair of the Committee on European Affairs and oversight of European Funds of the Bulgarian *Narodno sabranie*, concerning the application of EU membership of North Macedonia. All the letters had been uploaded to IPEX.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS



No further points were raised.