

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,

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Chair of the European Affairs Committee  
of the Croatian Hrvatski sabor

**Gunther Krichbaum**

Chair of the European Affairs Committee  
of the German Bundestag

**Guido Wolf**

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

**Satu Hassi**

Chair of the Grand Committee  
of the Finnish Eduskunta

**Reinhold Lopatka**

Chair of Permanent Subcommittee on EU Affairs  
of the Austrian Nationalrat

**Christian Buchmann**

Chair of the EU Committee  
of the Austrian Bundesrat

**Ria Oomen - Ruijten**

Chair of the European Affairs Committee  
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**Hayke Veldman**

Chair of the European Affairs Committee  
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Chair of the European Union Affairs Committee  
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Chair of the Foreign and European Union Affairs Committee  
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Chair of the Committee on European Affairs  
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President of the House and Chair of the Federal Advisory Committee on European Affairs  
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Chair of the European Affairs Committee  
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Vice-President of the Parliament and Chair of the Committee on European Affairs  
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Chair of the European Affairs Committee  
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