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Geachte voorzitter, beste collega,

Het is ons een genoegen u uit te nodigen voor het evenement in het kader van de Europese Parlementaire Week 2026, dat op 23 en 24 februari 2026 zal plaatsvinden in het Europees Parlement in Brussel. Tijdens dit evenement op hoog niveau komen nationale parlementsleden uit de Europese Unie, kandidaat-lidstaten en waarnemende landen en leden van het Europees Parlement bijeen om economische, budgettaire en sociale kwesties te bespreken. Het evenement omvat de Interparlementaire Conferentie over stabiliteit, economische coördinatie en bestuur in de Europese Unie en de Conferentie over het Europees Semester.

Het Europees Parlement en het Cypriotisch parlement organiseren samen de Interparlementaire Conferentie over stabiliteit, economische coördinatie en bestuur in de Europese Unie [die moet plaatsvinden krachtens artikel 13 van het Verdrag inzake stabiliteit, coördinatie en bestuur in de Economische en Monetaire Unie (begrotingspact)]. Deze conferentie biedt een kader voor debat en voor de uitwisseling van informatie en beste praktijken bij de uitvoering van de bepalingen van het Verdrag. Zij heeft tot doel de samenwerking tussen de nationale parlementen en het Europees Parlement te versterken. De conferentie draagt ook bij aan de democratische verantwoording op het gebied van het economisch bestuur en het begrotingsbeleid in de EU, met name binnen de Economische en Monetaire Unie, rekening houdend met de sociale dimensie en zonder afbreuk te doen aan de bevoegdheden van de nationale parlementen en het Europees Parlement.

De Conferentie over het Europees Semester biedt de gelegenheid om informatie en beste praktijken uit te wisselen over de uitvoering van de semestercycli en om nauwer samen te werken bij het toezicht op de uitvoerende macht op nationaal en Europees niveau in het kader van het Europees Semester.

Wij hopen dat uw Kamer tijdens de Europese Parlementaire Week 2026 vertegenwoordigd zal zijn en wij zijn ervan overtuigd dat uw deelname zal bijdragen tot vruchtbare discussies over deze belangrijke kwesties.

In de bijlage vindt u alvast de voorlopige ontwerpagenda. De praktische details betreffende de bijeenkomsten zullen te zijner tijd worden toegestuurd aan de diensten van uw parlement die verantwoordelijk zijn voor de betrekkingen met het Europees Parlement.

Hoogachtend,

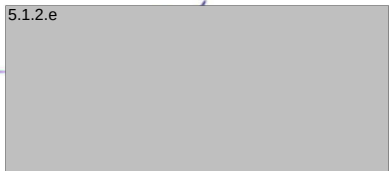
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Voorzitter
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EUROPEAN PARLIAMENTARY WEEK 2026

INTERPARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE ON STABILITY, ECONOMIC COORDINATION AND GOVERNANCE IN THE EU

Co-organised by the European Parliament and the House of Representatives of the
Republic of Cyprus

European Parliament

Brussels, 23 - 24 February 2026

Monday, 23 February 2026

12:00 – 14:00 *Registration of participants from national parliaments*

12:00 – 14:00 *Political group meetings:*

12:00 – 14:00 *EPP, (working lunch), SPINELLI ground floor Members' Salon*

12:00 – 14:30 *S&D, SPINELLI 3H1*

12:00 – 14:30 *PfE Patriots*

12:00 – 14:30 *RENEW*

12:00 – 14:30 *The Greens/EFA*

12:00 – 14:00 *The Left, SPAAK 1C51*

12:45 – 14:00 *EGOV Parliamentary Staff Meeting*

14:30 – 14:35 *Family photo (hemicycle)*

14:35– 15:00 Opening session

Meeting room: Hemicycle (SPAAK, 3rd floor)

- Welcoming words by **Roberta Metsola**, President of the European Parliament
- Welcoming words by **Annita Demetriou**, President of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Cyprus

15:30 – 18:30 Interparliamentary Committee Meetings (in parallel)

Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (ECON)

Meeting room: *ANTALL 4Q2*

Co-chaired by: **Christiana Erotokritou**, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Financial and Budgetary Affairs of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Cyprus and **Aurore Lalucq**, Chairperson of the ECON Committee

Session I: Strengthening technological sovereignty, competitiveness and sustainable growth of the European economy

Opening panel speakers:

- **Guntram Wolff**, Senior Fellow at Bruegel
- **Zach Meyers**, Director of Research CERRE
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Exchange of views among Members of national parliaments and Members of the European Parliament

Session II: The Savings and Investment Union: challenges and next steps.

Opening panel speakers:

- **Maximilian Bierbaum**, Head of research and EU Director at New Financial
- **Aleksandra Maczynska**, Managing Director BETTER FINANCE
- **Matti Leppälä**, Secretary General/CEO PensionsEurope

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Committee on Employment and Social Affairs (EMPL)

Meeting room: *ANTALL 6Q2*

Co-chaired by: **Andreas Kafkalias**, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Labour, Welfare and Social Insurance of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Cyprus and **Li Andersson**, Chairperson of the EMPL Committee

Session I: No trade-off between competitiveness and a strong Social Europe for all

Opening panel speakers:

- **James John**, Director of IMF European Offices
- **Roxana Minzatu**, Executive Vice-President for Social Rights and Skills, Quality Jobs and Preparedness - European Commission (tbc)
- Member of national Parliament
- Member of national Parliament

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Session II: Just and competitive labour markets in the twin transition

Opening panel speakers:

- **Ivailo Kalfin**, Executive Director, Eurofound
- **Roxana Minzatu**, Executive Vice-President for Social Rights and Skills, Quality Jobs and Preparedness - European Commission (tbc)
- Member of national Parliament
- Member of national Parliament

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Committee on Budgets (BUDG)

Meeting room: ANTALL 4Q1

Co-chaired by: **Chrisis Pantelides**, Deputy Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Financial and Budgetary Affairs of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Cyprus and **Johan Van Overtveldt**, Chairperson of the BUDG Committee

Session I: Financing the EU budget: how can the revenue side of the budget and the system of own resources contribute to EU objectives and priorities

Opening panel speakers:

Session II: Focus on the next MFF: the National and Regional Partnership Plans

Opening panel speakers

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19:00 – 21:00 Official dinner (Members' Salon, SPINELLI ground floor)

Tuesday, 24 February 2026

9:00 – 11:30 Plenary Session: Investing in Europe's Future: Labour Market Resilience and Social Cohesion

Meeting room: Hemicycle (SPAAG, 3rd floor)

Co-chaired by: **Katarina Barley**, Vice-President of the European Parliament, and TBC the House of Representatives of the Republic of Cyprus

Keynote speaker: **Christopher Pissarides**, Regius Professor of Economics, Department of Economics, The London School of Economics and Political Science

Exchange of views among Members of National Parliaments and Members of the European Parliament in the presence of representatives from the Committee of the Regions and the European Economic and Social Committee

11:30 – 12:00 Coffee break

12:00 – 13:30 Plenary Session: Fostering a Business-Friendly Europe in the context of the Next Multiannual Financial Framework: Prospects and Challenges for the Single Market

Meeting room: Hemicycle (SPAAG, 3rd floor)

Co-chaired by: **Katarina Barley**, Vice-President of the European Parliament, and **Christiana Erotokritou**, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Financial and Budgetary Affairs of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Cyprus

Keynote speaker: **Enrico Letta**, President of the Jacques Delors Institute, Dean IE Institute, former Italian Prime Minister

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13:30 – 14:45 Walking lunch (ANTALL 2Q, Catering area)