



Interparliamentary Conference for the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) and the Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP)

Draft programme

26 – 28 August 2025

Copenhagen, Tivoli Hotel & Congress Center

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26 August 2025, Tuesday

	Arrival of the delegations
14:00 – 18:30	Conference registration at the hotels
16:30 – 17:30	Meeting of the Presidency Troika <i>Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center</i>
17:30	Troika family photo
18:30	Departure from the hotels by bus to the Danish Parliament
19:00 – 21:00	Opening reception at The Danish Parliament hosted by Mr. Søren Gade, speaker of The Danish Parliament
21:00	Return to hotels

27 August 2025, Wednesday

08:00	Participants of the IPC leave from the hotels to Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center
08:15 – 09:00	Meeting of the Political Groups
08:15 – 09:00	Meeting of officials of National Parliaments <i>Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center</i>
09:15 – 10:00	Opening of the IPC <i>Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center</i> <i>Chair:</i> <i>Mr. Christian Friis Bach</i> , Chair of the Committee on Foreign Policy of the Danish Parliament <i>Introductory remarks:</i> <i>Mr. David McAllister</i> , Chair of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the European Parliament <i>Welcoming address:</i> <i>Mr. Søren Gade</i> , Speaker of the Danish Parliament <i>Mr. Lars Løkke Rasmussen</i> , Minister for Foreign Affairs of Denmark (video message) The CFSP/CDSP priorities and strategies. The future of European Foreign Policy and Security <i>Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center</i> <i>Chair:</i> <i>Mr. David McAllister</i> , Chair of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the European Parliament <i>Address:</i> <i>Ms Benedikta von Seherr-Thoss</i> , EEAS Managing Director for Peace, Security and Defence
10:00 – 12:00	

	Exchange of views
12:00	Family photo
12:00 – 13:30	Buffet lunch hosted by the Danish Parliament <i>Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center</i>
13:30 – 15:00	Session I: Europe's strategic moment: Enhancing EU and NATO complementarity in defence, deterrence and global disruption <i>Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center</i> <i>Chair:</i> <i>Ms. Marie-Agnes Strack-Zimmermann</i> , Chair of the Committee on Security and Defence of the European Parliament <i>Addressees:</i> <i>Mr. Troels Lund Poulsen</i> , Danish Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Defence <i>Mr. Michael Zilmer-Johns</i> , former Ambassador of Denmark to NATO, former Special Advisor on Security and Defence to the EU High Representative on Foreign Affairs
	Exchange of views
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee break <i>Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center</i>
15:30 – 17:00	Session II: Urgent debate - Europe united: Defending freedom, democracy and a sovereign Ukraine <i>Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center</i> <i>Chair:</i> <i>Mr. Christian Friis Bach</i> , Chair of the Committee on Foreign Policy of the Danish Parliament <i>Addressees:</i> <i>Mr. Oleksandr Merezhko</i> , Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Ukrainian Parliament
	Exchange of views
17:00	Return to hotels
18:00	Transfer to dinner and cultural programme from the hotels
18:30 – 21:00	Dinner hosted by <i>Mr. Christian Friis Bach</i> , Chairman of the Danish Foreign Policy Committee of the Danish Parliament <i>Venue: H.C. Andersen Castle, Tivoli</i>
21:00 – 22:00	Visit to Tivoli Garden
22:00	Transfer provided back to hotels

28 August 2025, Thursday

08:00	Participants of the IPC leave from the hotels to Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center
08:30 – 10:00	<p>Two breakout sessions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Addressing migration: Advancing cooperation with third countries <i>Chair: Trine Pertou Mach, Member of the Committee on Foreign Policy of the Danish Parliament</i> <i>Ms. Aija Kalnaja, Deputy Executive Director for Capabilities at FRONTEX</i> <i>Mr. Gerald Knaus, Chairman of the European Stability Initiative</i>2. Europe's role in a changing/turbulent Middle east: Crafting a coherent EU response <i>Chair: Mr. Christian Friis Bach, Chair of the Committee on Foreign Policy of the Danish Parliament</i> <i>Mr. Luigi Di Maio, EU Special Representative for the Gulf region</i> <i>Mr. Julien Barnes-Dacey, director of the Middle East & North Africa programme, European Council on Foreign Relations</i>
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee break
10:30 – 12:00	<p>Session III: Beyond Borders: Enlargement as a strategic Investment in Europe's Security <i>Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center</i></p> <p><i>Chair:</i> <i>Mr. Lars-Christian Brask, Deputy Speaker of the Danish Parliament and Vice-chair of the Danish Foreign Policy Committee</i></p> <p><i>Addresses:</i> <i>Mr. Miroslav Lajčák, former Minister for Foreign and European Affairs of Slovakia, former EU Special Representative for the Belgrade-Pristina Dialogue and other Western Balkan regional issues</i> <i>Ms. Marie Bjerre, Minister for European Union Affairs of Denmark</i> <i>Ms. Cristina Gherasimov, Deputy Prime Minister for European Integration of Moldova</i></p>
12:00 – 13:30	<p>Buffet lunch hosted by the Danish Parliament <i>Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center</i></p>
13:30 – 15:00	<p>Session IV: Critical infrastructure, Societal Resilience, Energy/Climate <i>Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center</i></p> <p><i>Chair:</i> <i>Flemming Møller Mortensen, member of the Committee on Foreign Policy of the Danish Parliament</i></p> <p><i>Adresses:</i> <i>Mr. Dan Jørgensen, Commissioner on Energy and Housing</i> <i>Mr. Torsten Schack Pedersen, Minister for Societal Resilience and Contingency</i></p> <p>Exchange of views</p>
15:00 – 15:30	Closing of the IPC

Venue: Tivoli Hotel and Congress Center

Address:

Mr. Christian Friis Bach, Chair of the Committee on Foreign Policy of the Danish Parliament

High level speaker from Ukraine (confirmed)

15:30

Departure of delegations