



**Inter-Parliamentary Conference  
for the Common Foreign and Security Policy  
and the Common Security and Defence Policy**

Rome, 5-7 November 2014

Senate of the Republic

*Preliminary Draft Programme*

**Wednesday, 5 November 2014**

15.00 - 19.00 Arrival of participants and registration in the hotels

19.30 Cultural programme and welcome cocktail

**Thursday, 6 November 2014**

*Senate of the Republic, Palazzo Madama, entrance at piazza Madama*

8.30 - 9.15 Meeting of Political Groups

9.15 - 10.00 Meeting of Heads of Delegations

10.30 - 11.00 Opening of the Conference

11.00 - 13.30 **SESSION I: The Mediterranean and the crises at the EU's borders. Regional and global challenges: from the Middle East to Ukraine**

13.30 - 14.30 Buffet lunch (Sala Garibaldi)

15.30 - 18.00 **SESSION II: The European Union as a global actor: priorities and strategies in the area of CFSP and CSDP**

19.30 Cultural programme

20.30 Official dinner



**Friday, 7 November 2014**

8.30 - 11.00

**Workshops:**

- 1) **The future of EU Battlegroups**
- 2) **EU-Africa relations**
- 3) **Enlargement to the Western Balkans**

11.00 - 11.30

Coffe break (*Sala Garibaldi*)

11.30 - 13.30

SESSION III: **Prospects of the European defence:  
strengthening the cooperative approach with strategic partners**

13.30 - 14.15

Buffet lunch (*Sala Garibaldi*)

14.30 - 16.00

**Final Session:**

- Presentation of the results of the Workshops
- Adoption of the Conclusions