

Plenary Meeting of the LXII COSAC
1–3 December 2019
Helsinki, Finland

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Sunday, 1 December 2019

15.00 – 19.00 Arrival of delegations and registration at the hotels

Meeting of the Presidential Troika of COSAC

17.00 Departure by bus from the Hotel Katajanokka and Radisson Blu Plaza
to the conference venue **Marina Congress Center**
(address: *Katajanokanlaituri 6, 00160 Helsinki*)

17.30 – 19.00 Meeting of the Presidential Troika

19.00 Departure by bus for the dinner

19.00 Departure by bus from the hotels Scandic Grand Marina, Hotel
Katajanokka and Radisson Blu Plaza to the dinner venue

19.30 **Dinner hosted by Ms Satu Hassi**, Chair of the Grand Committee of the
Eduskunta at the **Helsinki City Hall**
(address: *Pohjoisesplanadi 11 – 13, 00170 Helsinki*)

22.30 Return to the hotels by bus

Monday, 2 December 2019

- 7.45 Departure by bus from the Hotel Katajanokka and Radisson Blu Plaza to the meetings of the political groups at the **Marina Congress Center** (address: *Katajanokanlaituri 6, 00160 Helsinki*)
- 8.15 – 9.00 **Meetings of the political groups**
- 8.30 Departure by bus from the Hotel Katajanokka and Radisson Blu Plaza for the remaining delegates to the conference venue **Marina Congress Center** (address: *Katajanokanlaituri 6, 00160 Helsinki*)
- 9.00 – 9.15 **Opening of the meeting**
Welcome address by Mr Matti Vanhanen, Speaker of the Eduskunta
Introductory remarks by Ms Satu Hassi, Chair of the Grand Committee
- Adoption of the Agenda for the Plenary Meeting of the LXII COSAC
- 9.15 – 11.00 **Session I: The Finnish Presidency of the EU Council**
- Chair:
Ms Satu Hassi, Chair of the Grand Committee
- Speaker:
Mr Antti Rinne, Prime Minister of Finland
- Exchange of views
- 11.00 – 11.30 *Family photo and coffee break*
- 11.30 – 11.45 **Procedural issues and miscellaneous matters**
Information on the results of the Presidential Troika of COSAC
Letters received by the Presidency
Procedural issues
Co-financing and appointment of the Permanent Member of the COSAC secretariat
Presentation of the 32nd Biannual Report of COSAC

11.45 – 13.00 **Session II: Promoting the Rule of Law in the EU and the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights**

Chair:

Ms Satu Hassi, Chair of the Grand Committee

Speakers:

Ms Tytti Tuppurainen, Minister for European Affairs, Government of Finland

Mr Michael O’Flaherty, Director, EU Agency for Fundamental Rights

Exchange of views

13.00 – 14.30 *Lunch*

14.30 – 16.30 **Session III: Intervention by Mr Maroš Šefčovič**, Vice-President of the European Commission

Moderator:

Ms Mairéad McGuinness, First Vice-President, European Parliament

Exchange of views

16.30 Return to the hotels by bus (except the chairpersons)

16.30 – 17.30 **Meeting of the COSAC Chairpersons**
Appointment of the Permanent Member of the COSAC Secretariat
Discussion on the Draft Contribution and Draft Conclusions of the LXII COSAC

17.30 Return to the hotels by bus

19.00 Departure by bus from the hotels to the dinner

19.30 **Welcome drinks at the Museum of Technology**
(address: *Viikintie 1, 00560 Helsinki*)

20.00 **Dinner hosted by Ms Satu Hassi**, Chair of the Grand Committee at the **Koskenranta** restaurant
(address: *Katariina Saksilaisen katu 9, 00560 Helsinki*)

22.30 Return to the hotels by bus

Tuesday, 3 December

- 8.30 Departure by bus from the Hotel Katajanokka and Radisson Blu Plaza to the conference venue Marina Congress Center
(address: *Katajanokanlaituri 6, 00160 Helsinki*)
- 9.00 – 10.30 **Session IV: A Winning Climate Strategy for Europe**
- Chair:
Ms Satu Hassi, Chair of the Grand Committee
- Speakers:
Ms Mari Pantisar, Director, Carbon Neutral Circular Economy, the Finnish Innovation Fund Sitra
Professor Markku Ollikainen, Chair of the Finnish Climate Change Panel
Mr Pekka Timonen, Mayor of the City of Lahti (European Green Capital 2021 finalist)
- Exchange of views
- 10.30 – 11.00 *Coffee break*
- 11.00 – 12.00 Intervention by **Mr Michel Barnier**, European Commission Chief Negotiator for Brexit
- Exchange of views
- 12.00 – 12.45 **Adoption of the Contribution and Conclusions of the LXII COSAC**
- 12.45 – 13.00 **Closing remarks by Ms Satu Hassi**, Chair of the Grand Committee
- 13.00 *Lunch*
- 14.30 Departure of delegations. Return to the hotels by bus or on foot. Bus transportation is also available directly from the conference venue to the airport.