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

Dublin Castle, 4-6 November 2026

07 September 2026

Dear colleague,

We are very pleased to invite you to the Inter-Parliamentary Conference for the Common Foreign and Security Policy and the Common Security and Defence Policy which is being held as part of the parliamentary dimension of Ireland's Presidency of the Council of the European Union. The event will take place on 4-6 November in the Printworks Conference Centre in Dublin Castle.

The IPC for CFSP/CSDP brings together parliamentarians, policymakers and experts to discuss the foreign policy, security and defence issues that face the European Union.

The international environment has changed dramatically since our last meeting in Copenhagen in August 2025. This Conference will provide an opportunity for us to debate the priorities and strategies for the CFSP and the CSDP in this new international context. We will also discuss developments in Ukraine and the geopolitical situation in the Middle East as well as considering what steps we can take to better defend our democracies by exploring the themes of hybrid threats, critical infrastructure and societal resilience.

Please find enclosed the draft programme and practical information note to assist you with your preparations for our meeting in Dublin, including details on registration and hotel reservations.

We very much look forward to welcoming you to Dublin.

Yours sincerely,





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