



European Conference of Presidents of Parliament

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This Conference of Presidents of Parliament was held at the Council of Europe Headquarters in Strasbourg, France, on 20 and 21 September 2012.

The Conference was composed of speakers and presidents of the Parliaments of the 47 member states of the Council of Europe; of parliaments enjoying observer and partner for democracy status with the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE) and of international parliamentary assemblies. The parliaments of Central Asia and Maghreb were also associated.

The Conference dealt with an essential challenge to Europe's future: *"Is representative democracy in crisis? Challenges for national parliaments"*. A second current political issue was also debated. The topic was announced on the Conference website at the end of May 2012.

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