15 October 2026

PROGRAMME

Wednesday 14 October 2026

Afternoon	Arrival and registration of participants
6.00-7.30 pm	*Welcome reception for Presidents and Speakers of Parliament (by invitation only)*

Thursday 15 October 2026

8.30-9.45 am	*Working Breakfast of Women Presidents of Parliament offered by the Italian Parliament on the theme "From Backlash to Breakthrough: Women Acting United for Their Rights"*
9.50 am	*Family photo of Women Presidents of Parliament*
8.30-10.00 am	Registration of participants
8.30-9.30 am	*Meeting of Secretaries of national delegations*
10.30-11.00 am	**Opening Ceremony** Mr Lorenzo FONTANA, President of the Italian Chamber of Deputies Mr Ignazio LA RUSSA, President of the Senate of the Italian Republic Ms Petra BAYR, President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
11.00 am -1.00 pm	**Theme 1: Resilient democracies: united against hybrid threats** Chaired by Ms Petra BAYR, President of the Parliamentary Assembly Keynote speakers: Ms Yaël BRAUN-PIVET, President of the National Assembly, France Mr Ruslan STEFANCHUK, Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada, Ukraine Mr Ruben RUBINYAN, President of the National Assembly, Armenia Debate
1.05 pm	*Family photo of Presidents of Parliament*
1.15-3.00 pm	*Lunch*

3.00-4.00 pm	Continuation of the debate on theme 1
4.00-6.30 pm	**Theme 2: Artificial Intelligence and the labour market** Chaired by Ms Petra BAYR, President of the Parliamentary Assembly, and Ms Annita DEMETRIOU, President of the House of Representatives of Cyprus Keynote speakers: Mr Lauri HUSSAR, President of the Riigikogu, Estonia Ms Mei Li VOS, President of the Senate, Netherlands Debate
7.30 pm	*Cultural programme and Dinner reception hosted by the Italian Parliament (by invitation only)*

Friday 16 October 2026

8.30-10.00 am	*Meeting of the Secretaries General of Parliament*
10.05 am	*Family photo of Secretaries General of Parliament*
10.15 am	**Theme 3: Renewing the rules-based international order: the role of parliaments in addressing and responding to contemporary crises** Chaired by Mr Lorenzo FONTANA, President of the Italian Chamber of Deputies Keynote speakers: Mr Numan KURTULMUŞ, Speaker of the Grand National Assembly, Türkiye Sir Lindsay HOYLE, Speaker of the House of Commons, United Kingdom Ms Ágnes FORSTHOFFER, Speaker of the National Assembly, Hungary *A perspective beyond Europe:* Mr Francis SCARPALEGGIA, Speaker of the House of Commons, Canada Debate
12.15 pm	**Concluding session**
12.30 pm	*End of the conference*
12.45 pm	*Lunch offered by the President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (by invitation only)*