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18<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Association  
of European Senates

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### PROGRAMME

#### Thursday 1 June 2017

| During the day | Arrival of delegations   |
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| <b>9:00 am</b> | <b>Bilateral meetings</b> ( <i>Brdo Congress Centre</i> )  |
| 1:15 pm        | Departure of delegations from hotels<br>( <i>Meeting point: hotel lobby</i> )  |
| 1:30 pm        | Departure of delegations<br>by bus for the Brdo Congress Centre<br>( <i>Bus departs from Tomšičeva ulica 5, Ljubljana</i> )  |
| 2:15 pm        | Arrival at the Brdo Congress Centre  |
| <b>3:00 pm</b> | <b>Opening of the 18<sup>th</sup> Meeting</b> ( <i>Grandis Hall</i> )<br>Opening speech by Mr. Mitja Bervar,<br><i>President of the National Council of the Republic of Slovenia</i><br>Speech by Mr. Milan Brglez,<br><i>President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia</i>   |
| <b>3:15 pm</b> | <b>Seminar: <i>The European Senate – The road towards a closer link with EU citizens?</i></b> ( <i>Grandis Hall</i> )<br>Speech by Mr. Mitja Bervar,<br><i>President of the National Council of the Republic of Slovenia</i><br>Speech by Mr. Franc Grad, <i>Professor of Constitutional Law</i><br>Speech by Mr. Milan Štěch,<br><i>President of the Czech Senate</i><br>Speech by Ms. Ankie Broekers-Knol,<br><i>President of the Eerste Kamer der Staten-Generaal</i> |
| <b>5:00 pm</b> | <b>Bilateral meetings</b> ( <i>Brdo Congress Centre</i> )  |
| <b>6:00 pm</b> | <b>Aperitif</b> ( <i>Lobby of the Brdo Congress Centre</i> )   |
| <b>7:00 pm</b> | <b>Dinner</b> ( <i>Splendens Hall</i> )  |
| 10:00 pm       | Departure of delegations by bus from the Brdo Congress<br>Centre for Ljubljana   |
| 10:45 pm       | Arrival at <i>Tomšičeva ulica 5, Ljubljana</i>   |

**Friday 2 June 2017**

***Second chambers facing the challenges of time***

- 7:45 am Departure of delegations from hotels  
*(Meeting point: hotel lobby)*
- 8:00 am Departure of delegations  
by bus for the Brdo Congress Centre  
*(Bus departs from Tomšičeva ulica 5, Ljubljana)*
- 8:45 am Arrival at the Brdo Congress Centre
- 9:00 am** **Opening speech by Mr. Mitja Bervar,**  
*President of the National Council of the Republic of Slovenia*  
*Speech by Mr. Miro Cerar,*  
*Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia*  
*Speech by Mr. Mitja Bervar,*  
*President of the National Council of the Republic of Slovenia (Grandis Hall)*
- 9:15 am** **Speeches by Presidents followed by discussion**  
*(Grandis Hall)*
- 10:30 am Coffee Break *(conference lobby)*
- 10:30 am** **Photo opportunity for Heads of Delegations**  
*(in front of Brdo Congress Centre or lobby)*
- 11:00 am** **Speeches by Presidents followed by discussion**  
*(Grandis Hall)*
- 12:00 am** **End of speeches**
- 12:10 am Departure of Heads of Delegations for Brdo Castle  
*(Meeting point: in front of the Brdo Congress Centre)*
- 12:30 pm** **Lunch for Heads of Delegations (Brdo Castle)**  
**Lunch for Secretaries General (Splendens Hall)**  
**Lunch for Ambassadors (Splendens Hall)**  
**Lunch for members of delegations (Splendens Hall)**
- 2:00 pm Departure of Heads of Delegation for Brdo Congress Centre
- 2:15 pm** **Speeches by Presidents followed by discussion**  
*(Grandis Hall)*
- 3:00 pm** **Final remarks (Grandis Hall)**
- 3:10 pm** **End of the 18<sup>th</sup> Meeting (Grandis Hall)**
- 3:15 pm Departure of delegations from the Brdo Congress Centre  
By bus to Ljubljana Jože Pučnik Airport
- 4:30 pm Departure of delegations from the Brdo Congress Centre  
By bus to Ljubljana *(Tomšičeva ulica 5, Ljubljana)*