

DRAFT PROGRAMME

CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE CHAIRS
(COFACC)

Brussels, 18 and 19 October 2010

(Belgian House of Representatives)

Monday 18 October 2010

- 09 : 00 Coaches depart from the hotels for the Palace of the Nation
(rue de la Loi – place de la Nation 2)
- 09 : 15 Registration of participants
- 09 : 45 Opening address by the Chairs of the Foreign Affairs committees of the House of Representatives and the Senate (plenary assembly room of the House of Representatives)
- 10 : 00 The European External Action Service
The foreign affairs and security policy of the European Union: current issues
- Speaker : Catherine Ashton, EU High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy
 - Discussion
- 12 : 15 Group photograph
- 12 : 30 Buffet lunch at the residence of the Speaker of the Senate
- 14 : 00 Enlargement of the European Union
- Speaker : the Minister for Foreign Affairs

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- Discussion
- 15 : 45 Coffee break
- 16 : 00 The European Union and the Middle East peace process
 - Speaker : Marc Otte, EU Special Representative for the Middle East Peace Process [tbc]
 - Discussion
- 18 : 00 Coaches return to the hotels
- 19 : 15 Coaches depart from the hotels for the Centre for Fine Arts
- 19 : 30 Visit of the exhibition «Building for Brussels – Architecture and urban transformation in Europe»
- 20 : 00 Dinner
- 22 : 30 Coaches return to the hotels

Tuesday 19 October 2010

- 09 : 15 Coaches depart from the hotels for the Palace of the Nation
- 09 : 30 The Summit on the Millennium Development Goals (20-22 Sept.)
 - Speaker : the Minister for Development Cooperation
 - Discussion
- 11 : 00 Coffee break
- 11 : 15 An initiative of the Belgian Parliament : the Belgian Fund for Food Security
 - Introduction
 - Discussion
- 12 : 45 Buffet lunch at the residence of the Speaker of the House
- 14 : 30 Conference ends

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