

COURTESY TRANSLATION

Nicosia, 5 July 2012

Dear Colleague,

It is with great pleasure that I extend, on behalf of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Cyprus, this invitation to representatives of your Parliament to attend the Conference of Justice and Home Affairs Committee Chairs, to be held in Nicosia, on 23 and 24 September 2012. The Conference will be organized in the framework of the parliamentary dimension of the Cyprus Presidency of the Council of the EU, in the second half of 2012.

I would very much appreciate it if you could forward the enclosed invitation letter from the Chairmen of the Committees on Legal Affairs and Internal Affairs of the House to the Chairperson of the competent Committee in your Parliament.

Please accept, dear Colleague, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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Yiannakis L. Omirou,
President of the House of Representatives
of the Republic of Cyprus.

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The opening of the Conference will take place on Sunday evening, 23 September 2012, with an official dinner and a cultural event.

The working part of the Conference will be held on Monday, 24 September 2012, at the "Filoxenia" Conference Centre. On the same day, lunch will be provided, while an informal dinner will follow the completion of the proceedings.

The Conference will engage in topics falling within the domain of Justice and Home Affairs of the Cyprus Presidency, which will be discussed in three sessions. These sessions will focus on the establishment of the Common European Asylum System, the integration of legally residing third-country nationals in the host societies and the reform of the European legislation on personal data.

Along with this invitation, please find enclosed the Preliminary Draft Programme of the Conference and the Practical Information Note, where all practical arrangements can be found, including a Registration Form and information on Hotel Reservation. You are kindly requested to arrange your registration and accommodation as soon as possible and by 23 August 2012 at the latest.

Looking forward to welcoming you to Cyprus.

Yours sincerely,

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Ionas Nicolaou, M.P.,
Chairman,
Committee on Legal Affairs.

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Yiannos Lamarinis, M.P.,
Chairman,
Committee on Internal Affairs.

Conference of Justice and Home Affairs Committee Chairs

"Filoxenia" Conference Centre, Nicosia

23 - 24 September 2012

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Sunday, 23 September 2012

- 15.00 Registration desks open at Cyprus Hilton Hotel and Hilton Park Nicosia.
- 20.00 Departure by bus from the hotels.
- 20.30 Official dinner hosted by Mr. Ionas NICOLAOU, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Legal Affairs and Mr. Yiannos LAMARIS, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Internal Affairs of the Cyprus House of Representatives, at Axiothea Mansion.
- 22.45 Return by bus to the hotels.

Monday, 24 September 2012

- Venue:** Filoxenia Conference Centre, Nicosia.
- 08.00 Departure by bus from Hilton Park Nicosia to Filoxenia Conference Centre.
- 08.15 Departure by bus from Cyprus Hilton Hotel to Filoxenia Conference Centre.
- 09.00 09.15 **Welcoming addresses by:**
- Mr. Yiannos LAMARIS, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Internal Affairs of the Cyprus House of Representatives.
- Mr. Ionas NICOLAOU, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Legal Affairs of the Cyprus House of Representatives.

- 09.15 11.00 SESSION I**
Building a Europe of Asylum: The establishment of the Common European Asylum System by 2012 State of play.
- 09.15 09.30 Mrs. Eleni MAVROU, Minister of Interior.
 09.30 09.45 Speaker tbc.
 09.45 11.00 Debate.
 11.00 11.15 Coffee break.
- 11.15 13.00 SESSION II**
Building an inclusive society by integrating legally residing third-country nationals: Challenges and best practices.
- 11.15 11.30 Mrs. Eleni MAVROU, Minister of Interior.
 11.30 11.45 Speaker tbc.
 11.45 13.00 Debate.
 13.10 Family photo.
 13.30 14.45 Buffet lunch hosted by Mr. Yiannos LAMARIS, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Internal Affairs and Mr. Ionas NICOLAOU, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Legal Affairs of the Cyprus House of Representatives at Yiasemi Restaurant ,
 Filoxenia Conference Center.
- 15.00 17.00 SESSION III**
The EU Data Protection Reform: Safeguarding the individuals right to privacy in the digital age through modern data protection rules.
- 15.00 15.15 Mr. Loucas LOUCA, Minister of Justice and Public Order.
 15.15 15.30 Mrs. Françoise LE BAIL, Director General DG Justice, European Commission.
 15.30 15.45 Mr. Yiannos DANIELIDES, Commissioner for Personal Data Protection.
 15.45 17.00 Debate.
- 17.00 17.30 Concluding remarks by:**
 Mr. Ionas NICOLAOU, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Legal Affairs of the Cyprus House of Representatives.
 Mr. Yiannos LAMARIS, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Internal Affairs of the Cyprus House of Representatives.
- 18.00 Return by bus to the hotels.
 19.45 Departure by bus from the hotels for a seaside restaurant.
 20.30 Informal dinner.
 23.00 Return by bus to the hotels.



PRACTICAL INFORMATION NOTE

Conference of Justice and Home Affairs Committee Chairs

23 - 24 September 2012

Date and venue

The Conference will be held at the Filoxenia Conference Centre, in Nicosia, on 23 - 24 September 2012. The address of the Conference Centre is 17, Thrakis 1311, Aglanjia, Nicosia.

Registration of Participants

All participants are kindly requested to fill in a registration form and return it to cohac@cyparliament2012.eu, **by 23 August 2012**. The form is also available at www.cyparliament2012.eu by clicking on the name of the Conference in the calendar.

Registration

Registration Desks will be located in the main entrance hall of the hotels on the day of arrival, from 3 pm. Identity badges and other material regarding the Conference will be available from these Desks.

All participants are kindly requested to wear their identity badges at all times for security reasons and in order to ensure their access to shuttle buses, conference rooms and receptions and/or other events in the programme.

The ribbons of the identity badges correspond to the following categories of participants:

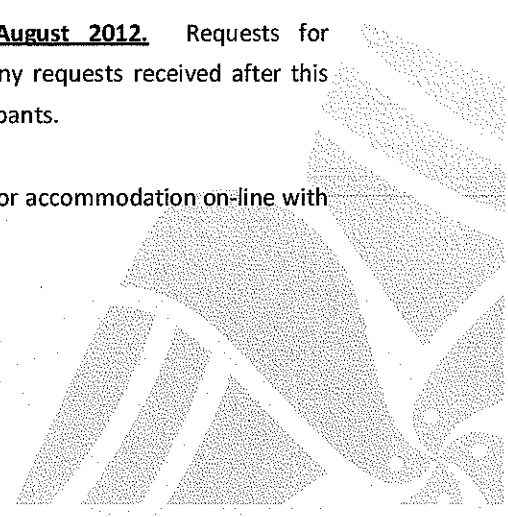
- Blue - Delegates, Members of Parliament
- Green - Delegation Secretaries / Advisors / Staff
- Yellow - Staff of hosting Parliament

Accommodation

Block bookings have been made by the House of Representatives at the following hotels at special rates.

Participants are requested to make their reservations **by 23 August 2012**. Requests for accommodation will be dealt on a first-come-first-served basis and any requests received after this date cannot be guaranteed. Accommodation cost is covered by participants.

All participants are kindly requested to make their own arrangements for accommodation on-line with these hotels:



Hilton Cyprus Hotel (***)**

website: http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/N/NICHITW-GHR01-20120922/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

Hilton Park Nicosia (**)**

website: http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/N/NICLEHI-GHOUSA-20120922/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

Arrival and departure

IMPORTANT NOTE: *The only legal ports of entry to the Republic of Cyprus are the International Airports of Larnaka and Pafos and the ports of Limassol and Larnaka, which are situated in the Government-controlled area of the Republic.*

All participants arriving at the above legal ports of entry of the Republic are kindly requested to make their own arrangements for transportation to the hotels.

The cost of transfer from Larnaka International Airport to Nicosia by taxi is about 50 and from Pafos International Airport to Nicosia is about 120.

Transportation during the Conference

Transportation will be provided from the hotels to the venue of the Conference and vice versa, as well as for all social events included in the programme.

Simultaneous interpretation

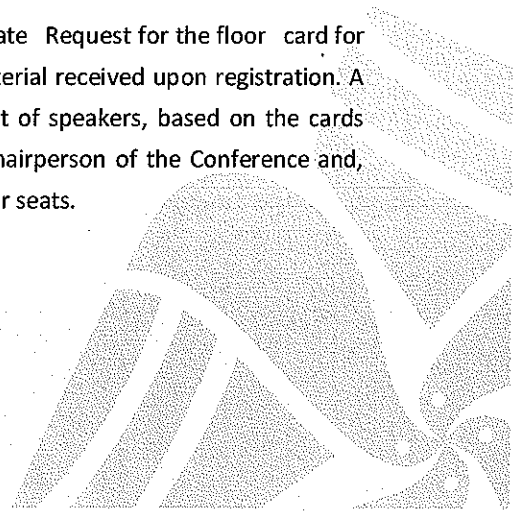
Simultaneous interpretation into Greek, English and French will be provided. Participants accompanied by their own interpreters, are kindly requested to notify the Presidency Secretariat at cohac@cyparliament2012.eu the soonest possible and also indicate their request on the registration form. For this purpose, please note that only three additional translation booths will be available and will be allocated on a strictly first-come-first-served basis.

Documents

Working documents will be regularly updated on the House of Representatives website (www.cyparliament2012.eu). Final versions will be provided upon registration. Documents will be provided in English and French.

Requests to take the floor

Participants wishing to take the floor are requested to fill in a separate Request for the floor card for each Session of the Conference. The cards can be found in the material received upon registration. A separate coloured card will correspond to each agenda item. A list of speakers, based on the cards received by the Presidency Secretariat, will be drawn up by the Chairperson of the Conference and, once the floor is given, speakers can deliver their speeches from their seats.



Services during the Conference

Participants will have access to a working station, equipped with computers, Internet access and Fax machines and all other relevant communication facilities. A WI-FI service will also be available.

Besides coffee breaks, running coffee will also be available in the corridor, outside the Conference room. Food and beverages are not allowed in the Conference room.

Information Desk

An Information Desk will be situated outside the Conference room and will be available to participants for any practical matter, including username and password for WI-FI service.

Press Facilities

Press Facilities will be provided during the Conference. Access will be given to correspondents of national and international press, radio and television, who have already sent their registration forms to the Presidency Secretariat. The Conference will be open to the press.

Medical Service

Medical services will be available during the Conference.

Automated Teller Machine (ATM)

An ATM will be located near the Conference room, in the CYPRESS MEDIA CENTRE .

Non-smoking policy

Smoking is prohibited in all indoor areas in hotels and all public places.

An outdoor space, outside the CYPRESS MEDIA CENTRE , can be used by smokers.

Currency

The national currency of the Republic of Cyprus is the Euro.

Weather

September is fairly warm in Cyprus, both during the day and at night. The average lowest temperature is 20°C and the highest is 33°C.

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Conference of Justice and Home Affairs Committee Chairs
23 – 24 September 2012
Nicosia, Cyprus

Individual Registration Form			
Kindly fill in this form and return it by 23 August 2012 at: cohac@cyparliament2012.eu			
Please complete this Form in CAPITAL letters			
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		First Name:	
Function:			
Chamber and/ or Parliament:		Country:	
Address:		e-mail:	
Tel:		Fax:	
Date of birth*:	Country of birth*:	Nationality*:	
Identification document (*Mandatory fields for accreditation purposes)		<input type="checkbox"/> Passport No*: <input type="checkbox"/> Identity Card No*:	
Dietary restrictions/ allergies:			
Other important information (Disabilities etc.):			
Arrival		Departure	
Date:		Date:	
Flight No.:	Time:	Flight No.:	Time:
Please note that the House of Representatives will not provide transportation from and to the airports.			
Hotel <input type="checkbox"/> Cyprus Hilton Hotel <input type="checkbox"/> Hilton Park Nicosia			
Please note that hotel reservation MUST be made directly to the hotel (see Practical Information Note)			
I will attend: <input type="checkbox"/> 23.9.2012 – Dinner <input type="checkbox"/> 24.9.2012 – Lunch <input type="checkbox"/> 24.9.2012 – Dinner			
Request for additional translation booth <input type="checkbox"/>			