Senato della Prepubblica

Camera dei Deputati

Re: Invitation to the Eighth Asia-Europe Parliamentary Partnership Meeting (ASEP VIII) Rome, Italy, October 6-7, 2014 - Save the date

On behalf of Italy's Senate and Chamber of Deputies we would be grateful if you could appoint a delegation from your Parliament to participate in the Eighth Asia-Europe Parliamentary Partnership Meeting (ASEP VIII) in Rome, at the Chamber of Deputies, on 6 and 7 October 2014.

Delegation size for each participating country is limited to a maximum of four people including staff members, due to space constraints. The four people limit applies also to bicameral Parliaments.

The upcoming ASEP meeting will be held during the Italian EU-Presidency, shortly before the next ASEM Summit, and will focus on "The role of Parliaments in fostering Europe-Asia dialogue, sustainable growth and stronger governance structures".

Preparatory meetings will be held in the afternoon of Monday, October 6th. The ASEP meeting will take place on Tuesday, October 7th.

The ASEP meeting will also include panel discussions on: "Sustainable growth and food security" and "Economic and financial governance structures".

The meeting will adopt an ASEP declaration which will be presented at the ASEM Summit.

A provisional programme and a draft agenda, as well as information on accommodation and other practical arrangements, will be sent in due course.

Sincerely Yours

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President of the Senate

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President of the Chamber of Deputies