



**Interparliamentary Conference  
on Cultural Heritage and the Identity of Traditional  
National Minorities  
Budapest, 4-5 December 2024**

**Draft Programme  
as of 20 September 2024**

#### **4 December 2024, Wednesday**

##### Arrival of the delegations

- 17:15 *Participants of the Conference leave for the building of the Hungarian National Assembly  
Transfer provided by the organisers  
Entrance to the Parliament through Gate XII*
- 18:00 **Dinner offered by the Hungarian National Assembly**  
*Venue: Hunters Hall*  
*During the reception: Cultural programme - photo exhibition by Botond Dávid*  
*Venue: Parliamentary lounge*
- 19:30-20:00 *Departure of the delegations  
Transfer to the hotel (if needed), provided by the organisers*

#### **5 December 2024, Thursday**

- 08:15 *Participants of the Conference leave for the building of the Hungarian National Assembly  
Transfer provided by the organisers  
Entrance to the Parliament through Gate XII*
- 09:00-10:30 **Opening of the Conference**  
*Venue: Upper Chamber Session Hall*  
Welcome address: *Mr. László KÖVÉR*, Speaker of the Hungarian National Assembly  
  
Keynote speakers:  
*Mr. Theodoros ROUSOPOULOS*, President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe  
*Mr. Nicolas LEVRAT*, United Nations Special Rapporteur on minority issues  
*Mr. Loránt VINCZE*, President of the Federal Union of European Nationalities  
*Mr. Barna Pál ZSIGMOND*, Deputy Minister for European Union Affairs of Hungary  
  
Chaired by: *Mr. Amb. Ferenc András KALMÁR*, Special Representative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary
- 10:30-10:40 **Family photo**  
*Venue: The Grand Staircase*

- 10:40-11:00      **Coffee break**
- 11:00-12:45      **Session: Cultural heritage and protection of national minorities**  
*Venue: Upper Chamber Session Hall*
- Speakers: *Parliamentary and governmental representatives (tbc)*
- Chaired by: Mr. Károly PÁNCZÉL, Chair of the Committee on National Cohesion of the Hungarian National Assembly*
- Exchange of views*
- 12:50-14:00      **Panel discussion: Good practices - the national minority rights scene in Europe**
- Speakers: *Representatives of parliaments/communities (tbc)*
- Moderator: *Ms Katalin SZILI, Prime Minister's Chief Advisor and former Speaker of the Hungarian National Assembly*
- Exchange of views*
- 14:00-15:00      **Buffet lunch offered by the Hungarian National Assembly**  
*Venue: Nordic Danube Hallway*
- 15:00              *Optional guided tour in the building of the Hungarian National Assembly (in English and French)*
- 15:30              *Departure of the delegations*  
*Transfer to the hotel (if needed), provided by the organisers*