

# BULLETIN

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### In Focus

#### Draft Proposals of the Conference on the Future of Europe

On 29-30 April 2022, the seventh and the final Plenary meeting of the Conference on the Future of Europe was held in Strasbourg. During the meeting, following the overview of the proposals by the Working Group Chairs and Spokespersons, the four components delivered their consensus on all [draft proposals](#) and the citizens expressed their positive views.

Throughout the interventions, most speakers highlighted the importance of the Conference for the EU democratic process and its innovative dimension. They praised the work and contributions of the citizens and expressed their satisfaction with the outcome and expectations for the appropriate follow up.

The meeting was co-chaired by three Co-Chairs of the Conference, Mrs. Dubravka Šuica, Vice-President of the Commission, Mr Guy Verhofstadt, MEP and Mr Clément Beaune, State Secretary for European Affairs for the French Council Presidency. With the Plenary held fully in person, some 280 Members registered and participated while following health protocol measures.

#### Activities of the Croatian Parliament in the Decision-Making Process

##### Activities of the parliamentary committees

###### European Affairs Committee

38<sup>th</sup> session, joint with Foreign Policy Committee and Committee on the Economy, held on 21 April 2022 that discussed impact of the international sanctions on the Russian Federation on the economy of the Republic of Croatia.

- Marking the tenth anniversary of the ratification of the Treaty of Accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union in the Croatian Parliament
- The Committee issued the [Work Program](#) for Considering the Position of the Republic of Croatia for 2022.

39<sup>th</sup> session held online on 20 April 2022 on the [Report](#) of the Prime Minister of the Government of the Republic of Croatia on the European Council meetings in February and March 2022.

###### Other committees

Other parliamentary committees discussed [European documents](#) in accordance with the [Work Programme for the Consideration of the Positions of the Republic of Croatia for 2021 and 2022](#).



## Monitoring the work of the Government in the European Union institutions

### European Council

Prime Minister of the Government of the Republic of Croatia submitted to the Parliament [Report](#) on the European Council meetings in February and March 2022. The Report was presented at the session of Parliament on 20 April and was adopted on 29 April 2022.

### Council

The Croatian Government submitted to the relevant parliamentary committees its positions for 5 Council meetings held in April 2022.

## Application of EU law

In April 2022, the Croatian Parliament enacted [4 laws](#) in the process of harmonization with European Union law.

## EU documents Forwarded Directly to the Croatian Parliament

According to the Protocol (no 1) on the Role of the National Parliaments in the European Union, all draft laws and communications shall be forwarded directly to the national parliaments.

The Croatian Parliament publishes on a daily basis the EU documents received, along with the information on: document number, adoption procedure, transmission date and subsidiarity deadline.

In April 2022, EU institutions forwarded to the Croatian Parliament [39 documents](#): 25 draft laws, 14 communications and other non-binding documents.

## Inter-parliamentary Cooperation in the European Union

Inter-parliamentary cooperation in the European Union encompasses the cooperation between the European Parliament and the national parliaments and the cooperation among the national parliaments in the frame of the parliamentary dimension of the Council Presidency.

### **21 April – Bruxelles/European Parliament - Interparliamentary Committee Meeting on 'Corporate responsibility for serious human rights abuses in third countries' jointly organised with the Committee on Legal Affairs (JURI) and the Subcommittee on Human Rights (DROI) of the European Parliament**

Chairman of the Human Rights and National Minority Committee Milorad Pupovac participated at the meeting.

### **29 – 30 April – Strasbourg – 7<sup>th</sup> Plenary of the Conference on the Future of Europe**

Chairman of the Committee on Regional Development and European Union Funds Marko Pavić and the European Affairs Committee Chairman Domagoj Hajduković participated at the Plenary.



## Inter-parliamentary activities in May 2022

15 – 16 May – Paris – Conference on migration challenges

17 May – Bruxelles/European Parliament – Interparliamentary Committee Meeting on first results of the Conference on the Future of Europe organised by Committee on Constitutional Affairs (AFCO) of the European Parliament

