



**DRAFT PROGRAMME**

**INTERPARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE  
MEETING**

**on the Establishment of an EU  
Mechanism on Democracy, Rule of Law  
and Fundamental Rights**

**Thursday, 22 June 2017, 9.00 to 12.30**

**European Parliament, Brussels**

**Room: Paul- Henri Spaak 3C50**

## Order of business

9h00 - 9h05 **Opening remarks** by **Claude MORAES**, Chair of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs of the European Parliament

### FIRST SESSION

**Towards a Democracy, Rule of Law and Fundamental Rights Pact at EU level -  
Interinstitutional perspective and role of national parliaments**

**9h05 - 10h30**

9h05 - 9h15 **Sophie in't Veld MEP**, LIBE Rapporteur for the report on an EU Mechanism on Democracy, Rule of Law and Fundamental Rights

9h15 - 9h25 **Tiina Astola**, Director-General, DG JUST, Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers, European Commission

9h25 - 9h35 **Vaclav Hampl**, Chairman of the EU Affairs Committee, Czech Senate

9h35 - 10h30 Q&A with **National Parliaments** representatives and **LIBE Members**

### SECOND SESSION

**The role of National Parliaments in upholding Democracy, Rule of Law and  
Fundamental Rights**

**10.30 - 12.00**

10h30 - 10h40 **Frank Engel MEP**, LIBE Rapporteur for the annual report on the situation of Fundamental Rights in the EU 2016

10h40 - 10h50 **Nuria Díaz Abad**, President, European Network of Councils for the Judiciary

10h50 - 11h00 **Emmanuel Crabit**, Acting Director, DG JUST, Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers, Fundamental Rights and Rule of Law. European Commission

11h00 - 11h10 **Speaker from National Parliament** - the role of national parliaments in ensuring the independence of the judiciary

11h11 - 12h00 Q&A with **National Parliaments** representatives and **LIBE Members**

**CLOSING SESSION**

**12.00 - 12.30**

12h00 - 12h30      Closing remarks and adoption of the ICM Statement by the **LIBE Chair**

## PRACTICAL GUIDELINES FOR THE DEBATE

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