

# CONGRESS PROGRAMME, KEY ELEMENTS

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## WEDNESDAY, 6 MARCH 2024

08:00-09:30	EPP Ethics Committee	<i>Hotel Ramada</i>
08:30-12:30	EPP Group Study Days 1st session (including session with EPP Group CoR)	<i>B1</i>
10:00-12:00	Resolution Committee	<i>ROMEXPO B3</i>
<b>14:00</b>	<b>Congress: 1<sup>st</sup> Plenary Session</b>	<i>ROMEXPO PAVILION</i>
	Welcome speeches	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Nicolae CIUCĂ, President of PNL</li> <li>- Hunor KELEMEN, President of RMDSZ</li> <li>- Manfred WEBER, President of EPP</li> </ul>	
14:30	Debate focusing on the voice of villages, cities and regions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Olgierd GEBLEWITZ, President of the EPP Group in CoR</li> <li>- Sven SCHULZE, Minister for Economic Affairs, Tourism, Agriculture and Forestry of Saxony-Anhalt (Germany)</li> <li>- Isabel DÍAZ AYUSO, President of the Community of Madrid (Spain)</li> <li>- Rafal TRZASKOWSKI, Mayor of Warsaw (Poland)</li> <li>- Apostolos TZITZIKOSTAS, Governor of Central Macedonia Region (Greece)</li> <li>- Emil BOC, Mayor of Cluj-Napoca (Romania)</li> </ul>	
15:15	Debates and exchanges with Presidents of Parliamentary Assemblies Council of Europe, NATO, OSCE, Chairpersons of Groups, EPP Associations, WMCES President <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion on defence and security               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Davor STIER, Chairman of EPP Group in the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe</li> <li>- Vilija ALEKNAITĖ-ABRAMIKIENĖ, Chairwoman of EPP Group in OSCE Parliamentary Assembly</li> <li>- Andrius KUBILIUS, Chairman of EPP Group EURONEST Parliamentary Assembly</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Discussion on intergenerational solidarity               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Beppe GALEA, President EDS</li> <li>- An HERMANS, President ESU</li> <li>- Lidia PEREIRA, President YEPP</li> <li>- Mikuláš DZURINDA, Wilfried Martens Centre President</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Discussion on economy and jobs               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ivan ŠTEFANEC, President SME Europe</li> <li>- Dennis RADTKE, President EUCDW</li> <li>- Rozalia BIRO, President EPP Women</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
16:30	Interventions by non-EU Heads of State and Government, non-EU Opposition and Party Leaders <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sviatlana TSIKHANOUSKAYA (Belarus)</li> <li>- Petro POROSHENKO (Ukraine)</li> <li>- Lumir Abdixhiku (Kosovo)</li> <li>- Ervin IBRAHIMOVIC (Montenegro)</li> <li>- Hristijan MICKOSKI (North Macedonia)</li> <li>- Borjana KRISTO (Bosnia and Herzegovina)</li> </ul>	

- Gian Carlo VENTURINI (San Marino)
  - Viola AMHERD, President of Switzerland
  - Maia SANDU, President of Moldova
- 17:00 Presentation and vote on ordinary and emergency Resolutions, and Statutory changes
- 18:15 EPP Electoral Manifesto: Presentation and Vote
- 19:20 Closing Remarks
- Thanasis BAKOLAS, Secretary General of EPP
- EPP reception and family dinner co-hosted by PNL

## THURSDAY, 7 MARCH 2024

- 08:00-09:00 Women Empowering Perspectives for Peace
- 08:00-09:00 EPP-CoR Group Local Dialogue on Enlargement
- 08:00-09:00 EPP Group Study Days 2nd session
- 9:00 Congress: 2<sup>nd</sup> Plenary Session**
- Interventions by EU Opposition and Party Leaders
- Bernard GRECH (Partit Nazzjonalista, Malta)
  - Annita DEMETRIOU (DISY, Cyprus)
  - Urmas REINSALU (Isamaa, Estonia)
  - Janez JANŠA (SDS, Slovenia)
  - Luis MONTENEGRO (PSD, Portugal)
  - Boyko BORISSOV (GERB, Bulgaria)
  - Markus SÖDER (CSU, Germany)
  - Friedrich MERZ (CDU, Germany)
  - Alberto NÚÑEZ FEIJÓO (Partido Popular, Spain)
- 09:45 Address by EPP President
- 10:00 Speech by nominee for EPP Lead Candidate
- 10:15-11:45 Election of the EPP Lead Candidate for President of the European Commission (Secret Ballot)**
- 10:30-11:00 Interventions by Deputy Prime Ministers
- Marian JUREČKA (KDU-ČSL, Czechia)
  - Karien VAN GENNIP (CDA, The Netherlands)
  - Vincent VAN PETEGHEM (CD&V, Belgium)
  - Mariya GABRIEL (GERB, Bulgaria)
  - Antonio TAJANI (Forza Italia, Italy)
- 11:00-12:30 Interventions by EU Heads of State or Government
- Petteri ORPO (Prime Minister of Finland)
  - Nikos CHRISTODOULIDES (President of Cyprus)
  - Karl NEHAMMER (Federal Chancellor of Austria)
  - Leo VARADKAR (Taoiseach of Ireland)
  - Andrej PLENKOVIĆ (Prime Minister of Croatia)
  - Donald TUSK (Prime Minister of Poland)
  - Kyriakos MITSOTAKIS (Prime Minister of Greece)
- Address by President of the European Parliament and President of Romania
- Roberta METSOLA, President of the European Parliament
  - Klaus IOHANNIS, President of Romania
- 12:30-13:00 Announcement of the result of the election of the EPP Lead Candidate
- Acceptance Speech of the EPP Lead Candidate
- Closing of the Congress

*ROMEXPO (TITULESCU room)*

*Pavilion B3 ROM Expo*

*B1*

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