

# 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>

### 14:00 Congress: 1<sup>st</sup> Plenary Session

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Welcome speeches

- Nicolae CIUCĂ, President of PNL
- Hunor KELEMEN, President of RMDSZ
- Manfred WEBER, President of EPP

14:30

Debate focusing on the voice of villages, cities and regions

- Olgierd GEBLEWITZ, President of the EPP Group in CoR
- Sven SCHULZE, Minister for Economic Affairs, Tourism, Agriculture and Forestry of Saxony-Anhalt (Germany)
- Isabel DÍAZ AYUSO, President of the Community of Madrid (Spain)
- Rafal TRZASKOWSKI, Mayor of Warsaw (Poland)
- Apostolos TZITZIKOSTAS, Governor of Central Macedonia Region (Greece)
- Emil BOC, Mayor of Cluj-Napoca (Romania)

15:15

Debates and exchanges with Presidents of Parliamentary Assemblies Council of Europe, NATO, OSCE, Chairpersons of Groups, EPP Associations, WMCES President

- Discussion on defence and security
  - Davor STIER, Chairman of EPP Group in the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
  - Vilija ALEKNAITĖ-ABRAMIKIENĖ, Chairwoman of EPP Group in OSCE Parliamentary Assembly
  - Andrius KUBILIUS, Chairman of EPP Group EURONEST Parliamentary Assembly
- Discussion on intergenerational solidarity
  - Beppe GALEA, President EDS
  - An HERMANS, President ESU
  - Lidia PEREIRA, President YEPP
  - Mikuláš DZURINDA, Wilfried Martens Centre President
- Discussion on economy and jobs
  - Ivan ŠTEFANEC, President SME Europe
  - Dennis RADTKE, President EUCDW
  - Rozalia BIRO, President EPP Women

16:30

Interventions by non-EU Heads of State and Government, non-EU Opposition and Party Leaders

- Sviatlana TSIKHANOUSKAYA (Belarus)
- Petro POROSHENKO (Ukraine)
- Lumir Abdixhiku (Kosovo)
- Ervin IBRAHIMOVIC (Montenegro)
- Hristijan MICKOSKI (North Macedonia)
- Borjana KRISTO (Bosnia and Herzegovina)

- 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)
  - 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)
  - Luc Frieden (Prime Minister of Luxembourg)
  - 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

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*Pavilion B3 ROM Expo*

*B1*

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