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Dear Speaker, dear Colleague,

We are pleased to invite you to the European Parliamentary Week 2021, taking place on 22 February 2021 in the European Parliament in Brussels. This high-level event brings together Parliamentarians from all over the European Union and Members of the European Parliament to discuss economic, budgetary and social matters. It consists of the European Semester Conference and the Interparliamentary Conference on Stability, Economic Coordination and Governance in the European Union.

The European Semester Conference provides an opportunity to exchange information on best practices in implementing the Semester cycles, and to strengthen cooperation in order to scrutinise the actions of the executives at national and European levels within the framework of the European Semester.

The Interparliamentary Conference on Stability, Economic Coordination and Governance in the European Union [Article 13 Conference of the Treaty on Stability, Coordination and Governance in the Economic and Monetary Union] provides a framework for debate and exchange of information and best practices in implementing the provisions of the Treaty and aims to strengthen cooperation between national Parliaments and the European Parliament. The Conference also contributes to ensuring democratic accountability in the area of economic governance and budgetary policy in the EU, particularly in the European Monetary Union, taking into account the social dimension and without prejudice to the competences of national Parliaments and the European Parliament.

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, this meeting will be held remotely via a videoconference in the European Parliament, in Brussels.

We hope that your Parliament/Chamber will be represented at the European Parliamentary Week 2021 and we are convinced that your participation will contribute to fruitful discussions on these important subjects.

For these purposes, please find enclosed the preliminary draft agenda. Practical details regarding the meeting will be forwarded in due course to your Parliament's services responsible for relations with the European Parliament.

Yours sincerely,

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