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Draft Programme – LXXVI COSAC Plenary

Sunday, 6 December 2026

From 14:00 Arrival of delegations and registration at conference hotels

*For the participants of the meeting of the Presidential Troika of COSAC
(Session chaired by Barry Ward TD, Cathaoirleach of the Joint Committee on
European Union Affairs)*

17:45 Departure by bus to the Convention Centre Dublin

18:00 – 18:45 Meeting of the Presidential Troika of COSAC

18:45 Departure by bus to the Aviva Stadium

For all other participants of the LXXVI COSAC Plenary

18:30 Departure by bus to the Aviva Stadium

19:00 Welcome Reception hosted by the Houses of the Oireachtas

19:30 Welcome Address

Mr Barry Ward TD, Cathaoirleach of the Joint Committee on
European Union Affairs

22:00 Return by bus to conference hotels

Monday, 7 December 2026

8:00 – 9:00 Meetings of political groups

9:15 Welcoming address by the Ceann Comhairle of Dáil Éireann
Ms Verona Murphy TD

Opening Session by the Cathaoirleach of the Joint
Committee on European Union Affairs

Mr Barry Ward TD



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9:45

Procedural Issues and miscellaneous matters

- Adoption of the agenda of the LXXVI COSAC Plenary
- Briefing on the Presidential Troika Meeting
- Presentation of the 46th COSAC Biannual Report
- Information regarding the proposed amendments to the Rules of Procedure [TBC]
- Letters received by the Presidency
- Any other business

10:30 – 12:00

Session I: Priorities of the Irish Presidency of the Council of the European Union

Addresses

Mr Simon Harris TD, An Tánaiste and Minister for Finance

Debate

12:00 – 12:15

Family photo

12:15 – 13:30

Buffet Lunch hosted by the Houses of the Oireachtas

13:30 – 15:30

Session II: EU Enlargement and the Future of Europe's Neighbourhood

Keynote Speakers

Mr Séamus Boland, President of the European Economic and Social Committee

Mr Sven Simon MEP, Chair of the Constitutional Affairs Committee, European Parliament

Prof John O'Brennan, Jean Monnet Professor of European Integration, Maynooth University

Perspectives of Enlargement Countries

Mr Ferit Hoxha, Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs, Albania

Representative of Enlargement Country [TBC]

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- 15:30 – 17:00 Meeting of the Chairpersons and Delegation Leaders of COSAC
- Consideration of the proposed amendments to the COSAC Rules of Procedure
 - Consideration of the draft conclusions and contributions of COSAC
- 19:30 Dinner, Convention Centre Dublin

Tuesday, 8 December 2026

9:00 – 10:30 **Session III: Climate Adaptation, Just Transition and the Delivery of the UN Sustainable Development Goals**

Keynote Speakers

Mr Ivailo Kalfin, Director-General, European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Eurofound)

Representative from the Government of Ireland [TBC]

Other Speaker [TBC]

Debate

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:30 **Session IV: A Safe and Secure Digital Single Market**

Keynote Speakers

Mr Esteban González-Pons MEP, Vice-President, European Parliament

Prof Jane Suiter, Professor of Political Communication, Dublin City University

Other Speaker [TBC]

Debate



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12:30 – 12:40 **Closing Session**

- Adoption of the proposed amendments to the COSAC Rules of Procedure [TBC]
- Adoption of conclusions and contributions of COSAC

12:40 Closing Address

Mr Barry Ward TD, Cathaoirleach of the Joint Committee on European Union Affairs

12:45 – 13:45 Buffet Lunch hosted by the Houses of the Oireachtas