Pre-COP26 Parliamentary Meeting
Rome, 8-9 October 2021

Additional information

ARRIVAL AND ACCOMMODATION IN ROME
For COVID-related purposes, delegates of each House of Parliament are kindly requested to inform the Secretariat of the Italian Chamber of Deputies, as soon as possible and by 29 September at the latest, of their travel plans, the hotel they have chosen and the contact details of a delegation focal point for each House, by sending an email to protocol.romecop26@camera.it using this form for each Delegation. A WhatsApp group will be created and focal points will be included after communicating their phone numbers.

LANGUAGES
As previously communicated, interpretation will be provided in five languages (Arabic, English, French, Italian and Spanish). Speakers addressing the Meeting in any other language will need to have their individual statements translated into one of these five languages. A number of booths will be available on a first-come-first-served basis for delegations bringing their own interpreters. Delegations wishing to have an interpretation booth and bring their own interpreters are kindly requested to inform the Italian Secretariat at the following email address: interpreti@camera.it by 29 September.

REQUESTS FOR THE FLOOR
Given the large number of participants and in order to offer all Delegations the possibility to make a contribution, in principle only one Delegate per House of Parliament will be able to take the floor once during the whole meeting. Participants wishing to take the floor should register via the following email address: romecop26@camera.it by 29 September. Kindly indicate two Sessions, in order of preference, first and last name, country and relevant House of Parliament, using this form. Speaking time will be limited to 2 minutes. A speakers’ list will be distributed in due course. In order to facilitate interpretation, speakers are kindly requested to forward their written speeches to interpreti@camera.it. Texts will remain embargoed and will be checked upon delivery.

BILATERAL MEETINGS
A limited number of rooms will be made available for bilateral meetings at the Italian Chamber of Deputies on a first-come-first-served basis. Booking requests should be sent to the Italian Secretariat at radoni_s@camera.it by 29 September. In compliance with the anti-COVID measures in force at the Chamber of Deputies, a maximum number of 10 people per room will be allowed. Meetings may last no longer than 30 minutes in order to sanitize the rooms between meetings. Each delegation may reserve a maximum of two meetings per day. Slots will be available as follows:

- Friday, 8 October: 13:30 / 14:15 / 16:30 / 17:15 / 18:00
- Saturday, 9 October: 14:00 / 14:45 / 15:30 / 16:15 / 17:00

Confirmation of the slots reserved will be sent in due course.
CULTURAL EVENT AND MEALS
For MPs only (including registered accompanying interpreters), the Italian Parliament will organize, in the evening of 8 October, a tour of the exhibition “Cosmowomen. Places as Constellations” and a dinner at the National Gallery of Modern Art.

A light lunch for all Delegates will follow the Papal Audience on 9 October, at Palazzo Montecitorio, just before the resumption of proceedings (scheduled for 14:00).
You are kindly requested to confirm your participation and communicate any dietary restrictions by 29 September to the following email address: protocol.romecop26@camera.it, by using the same form used for travel and accommodation.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION FOR THE MEDIA
Journalists and camera operators are kindly requested to apply for accreditation by 29 September (two journalists per media outlet) by sending their accreditation request to sg_ufficiostampa@camera.it or sg_portavozes@camera.it. Dedicated areas will be available for journalists on the floor of Palazzo Montecitorio where the Plenary Hall is located. Stand-up positions and interview points will be made available, to be shared among all press and media for the requirements of TV broadcasters and websites. Access for all media personnel will be subject to an antigenic swab according to the rules explained under the “health information” point below.
The proceedings of the Rome meeting will be streamed live on the WebTV channel of the Chamber of Deputies. A selection of photos will be uploaded to the dedicated website on a daily basis during conference proceedings.

PAPAL AUDIENCE
The Papal Audience in the Paul VI Audience Hall is scheduled for 11:30 on 9 October 2021 and will be preceded by a tour of St. Peter’s Basilica (10:00-11:00). All registered delegates are kindly invited to arrive at Montecitorio at 09:00 on 9 October for the bus transfer to the Vatican.
Access to the Vatican will only be possible using transportation organized by the Chamber of Deputies.

HEALTH INFORMATION
Delegates travelling to Italy must present a COVID-19 molecular test (PCR) certificate showing a negative result. Under current Italian law, the test must have been carried out 48 hours before arrival in Italy.
Please note that all delegates travelling to Italy are required to complete a Passenger Locator Form (PLF) through the dedicated EUdPLF application. You can fill in the “Temporary Address” line by entering the code: Camera dei deputati-COP26.
Delegates coming from countries with entry restrictions to Italy for COVID-19 will not be subject to such entry restrictions, provided that they are officially registered to participate in the Conference, for the time necessary to attend the official event. The official list of registered participants will be published on the IPU website by 30 September.
Upon arrival at Leonardo da Vinci - Fiumicino Airport, delegates from non-EU countries and delegates not in possession of an EU Digital COVID Certificate (also known as the “Green Pass”), issued in compliance with current EU rules, will be asked to undergo an antigenic swab test at a designated area inside the airport. If the swab test yields a positive result indicating the presence of SARS-CoV-2, the person testing positive will be consigned to the care of the competent health authorities.
The transfer of delegates from the airport to the city shall be by taxi, hire car or private vehicle. The use of a filtering mask (at least FFP2 type) is mandatory for the whole duration of transfers.
Without distinction, everyone participating in activities taking place on the premises of the Chamber of Deputies will be asked before the start of proceedings to undergo a (rapid) antigenic swab test at facilities set up for the purpose.

Exceptions will be made only for those who have taken the test on the previous day (7 October) at the Senate of the Republic, where the Seventh G20 Speakers’ Conference will be taking place. The result of a swab test remains valid for 48 hours, after which delegates will be asked to undergo another swab test, which may be carried out at the Chamber of Deputies.

The swab tests will be carried out on 8 and 9 October 2021. Three testing centres will be set up, two of them in the car park of Via della Missione and one at No. 25 Piazza del Parlamento.

Each delegation will be assigned to just one designated testing centre, as shown in the table published on the website.

A map of the testing centres is available here. Swab tests can be booked via the site: https://covidtest.camera.it. Bookings for the Covid-19 test can be made from 10:00 (CEST) on Monday 4 October until 12 noon on Thursday 7 October.

Instructions on how to book via the site can be obtained by sending an information request to infocovid@camera.it.

Testing on 8 October has been divided into four time slots:

- 08:00 – 10:00
- 10:00 – 12:00
- 12:00 – 14:00
- 15:00 onwards

Tests are carried out on a first-come-first-served basis within each time slot.

On 9 October, the test centres will remain open and operational for the entire duration of the conference proceedings, and no formalities are required for those wishing to take a test.

Any cases of positivity to SARS-CoV-2 will be handled by the health personnel in charge of the test centres. In particular, anyone who tests positive from an antigenic swab will be required to submit immediately to a molecular PCR test, and will be brought to a facility where they must remain pending the outcome of this second test. If the result of the second test confirms positivity to the virus, the person concerned will be consigned to the care of the competent health authorities.

After taking an antigen swab test, delegates with negative results will be given a personal badge and will be allowed access to the premises of the Chamber of Deputies. All delegates must also submit to the thermal screening of their body temperature. Anyone whose body temperature exceeds 37.5 degrees Celsius will not be allowed to enter the premises of the Chamber of Deputies.

All delegates will be given an FFP2 mask, which can be used for eight hours before disposal. The use of this mask as well as social distancing are mandatory for the entire duration of the meeting, including social events.

Finally, all delegates are urged to take out a specific insurance policy against the risks of SARS-CoV-2 infection.

**FOREIGN DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIONS IN ITALY:**

Website is available here.