

Committee on Constitutional Affairs
The Chair

To the Chair(s) of the Committee concerned

Subject: Interparliamentary Committee Meeting (ICM) on "The future institutional evolution of the Union: enhancing political dialogue between EP and national Parliaments and reinforcing the scrutiny over the executive at European level"

Dear Colleague,

As you know, the Constitutional Affairs Committee (AFCO) is currently working on **two own-initiative reports** linked to the future institutional evolution of the Union: one, is exploring **the unused potential of the Lisbon Treaty** and how it could be better implemented to meet the current geopolitical, economic and social challenges (Co-rapporteurs: Ms Bresso and Mr Brok¹), and the second one is examining which modifications of the current institutional set-up necessary to strengthen the Union's resilience in the face of growing challenges would require a revision of the Treaties and how to bring them to reality (Rapporteur: Mr Verhofstadt²).

In order to discuss these crucial issues for the future of EU integration with national Parliaments, the Committee on Constitutional Affairs of the European Parliament is organising an Interparliamentary Committee meeting entitled:

"The future institutional evolution of the Union: enhancing political dialogue between EP and national Parliaments and reinforcing the scrutiny over the executive at European level"

Within this context, we will also benefit from the presence of a number of experts to foster the discussion on parliamentary scrutiny over the executives in the European Union. We are therefore very pleased to invite up to four Members of the corresponding committee(s) of each national Parliament (two of each chamber in the case of bi-cameral Parliaments) to attend this meeting on **Thursday 19 November 2015 from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm and from 15.00 pm to 17.30 pm**, in the premises of the European Parliament in Brussels.

In view of this meeting, or should you and/or your Members be unable to attend, we would welcome any written contributions from your committee, which would also be distributed to the participants.

Practical details regarding the ICM will be forwarded in due course to your Parliament's Representatives/Services responsible for relations with the European Parliament.

¹ "Improving the functioning of the European Union building on the potential of the Lisbon Treaty" (2014/2249(INI))

² "Possible evolutions and adjustments of the current institutional set up of the European Union" (2014/2248(INI))

We sincerely hope that your committee will be able to accept our invitation and we are looking forward to welcoming you at the European Parliament on 19 November 2015.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'D. Hübner', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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