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Conference on
***“A comprehensive humanitarian and political response
to the migration and refugee crisis in Europe”***

*Organised by the PACE Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons
in co-operation with the PACE Parliamentary Project Support Division*

Wednesday, 16 December 2015

from 8.30 am to 6.00 pm

National Assembly, Room Lamartine
Paris, France

All speakers are to be confirmed

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8.30 – 9.30 *Registration of participants*

9.30 Opening session

Opening of the Conference by **Mr Thierry Mariani** (France, EPP/CD), Chairperson of the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons of the PACE

Statements by:

Mr Claude Bartolone, Speaker of the French National Assembly

Ms Anne Brasseur (Luxembourg, ALDE), President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Representative of the French Government

10.30 Concerns and possible short/medium term solutions

Moderator: Mr Jacques Attali

Panel composed of Presidents of relevant Committees of National Parliaments of:

- ✓ Jordan
- ✓ Greece
- ✓ Serbia
- ✓ Hungary
- ✓ Germany

Discussion

13.00 *Lunch*

14.30 Sustainable solutions and cooperation with the countries of departure

Moderator: to be confirmed

Mr Frans Timmermans, First Vice-President of the European Commission in charge of Better Regulation, Interinstitutional Relations, the Rule of Law and the Charter of Fundamental Rights

Panel composed of Presidents of relevant Committees of National Parliaments of:

- ✓ Lebanon
- ✓ Italy
- ✓ Bosnia and Herzegovina
- ✓ Poland
- ✓ Denmark

Discussion

17.45 Conclusions and Chair's closing remarks

Mr Thierry Mariani (France, EPP/CD), Chairperson of the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Displaced Persons to the PACE