



**13th Conference of Presidents of Parliament of Small European States,
at The Landmark Hotel (Ballroom A),
Nicosia, 26 - 27 November 2019**

PROGRAMME

Monday, 25 November 2019

Arrival of participants.

Tuesday, 26 November 2019

Arrival of participants.

Free morning.

14.30 Departure from the hotel.

Guided tour of the Old Town of Nicosia

Walking tour of the Chrysaliniotissa area and guided visit to the Archaeological Museum.

Coffee at the "House of the Citizens", in the presence of H.E. the President of the House of Representatives, Mr. Demetris Syllouris.

17.00 Return to the hotel.
(approx.)

20.45 Departure from the hotel.

21.00 **Informal dinner,**
at «Geusicleous 62» restaurant.

Wednesday, 27 November 2019

09.00 **Welcoming address**
by H.E. the President of the House of Representatives,
Mr. Demetris Syllouris.

09.15 Group photo.

09.30 **1st Session: Small European States in the digital era: challenges, opportunities and best practices.**

Introduction by Mr. Kyriakos Kokkinos, Chief Scientist of the Republic of Cyprus for Research and Innovation.

Interventions by participants.

General discussion.

11.00 **Coffee break**

11.30 **2nd Session: Region-to-region cooperation – forms of cooperation and benefits for small states.**

Introduction by H.E. the President of the House of Representatives, Mr. Demetris Syllouris.

Interventions by participants.

General discussion.

With the participation of Presidents of Parliament of countries of the Middle East or their representatives.

12.55 Group photo. [including Middle East participants]

13.00 **Working Lunch: “Investments and Economic Development: challenges for small states”**, at The Landmark Hotel (Ballroom B).

Presentation by Mr. Costas Galatariotis, Vice-President, Cyprus Investment Promotion Agency.

Discussion.

With the participation of Presidents of Parliament of countries of the Middle East or their representatives and other stakeholders.

15.30 **3rd Session: Small European States’ cooperation in the field of rare diseases – How can Parliaments contribute?**

Introduction by Dr. Philippos Patsalis, Professor in Genetics, University of Nicosia.

Interventions by participants.

General discussion.

17.00 **Joint declaration**

Discussion and adoption.

17.30 **Joint Press Conference** [Small European States]

20.15 Departure from the hotel.

20.30 **Official dinner** by H.E. The President of the House of Representatives, Mr. Demetris Syllouris, at “The Royal Hall” restaurant.

Thursday, 28 November 2019

Departure of participants.