

REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



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.

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	1 st Session: Small European States in the digital era: challenges, opportunities and best practices. Introduction by Mr. Kyriakos Kokkinos, Chief Scientist for Research and Innovation of the Republic of Cyprus.

Interventions by participants.

General discussion.

11.00 Coffee break

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

with the participation of Presidents of Parliaments of countries of the Middle East and/or representatives and other stakeholders.

Interventions by participants.

General discussion.

12.55 Group photo. [including Middle East paritcipants]

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 Parliaments of countries of the Middle East and/or 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.