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LATVIJAS REPUBLIKAS SAEIMA

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Dear Speaker, dear Colleague,

We are pleased to announce that the European Parliamentary Week (EPW) 2015 will take place from 3 to 4 February 2015 at the premises of the European Parliament in Brussels. The EPW will bring together parliamentarians from all over the European Union to discuss economic, budgetary and social matters.

Within the framework of the EPW two events will take place. The first event is the *Interparliamentary meeting on the European Semester Cycles 2014 and 2015*, taking place in the context of the preparation of the European Parliament reports for the priorities for the next Semester Cycle based on the Annual Growth Survey. The purpose of this event is to enhance the democratic dimension of the EU decision-making process and to strengthen cooperation between national Parliaments and the European Parliament in order to scrutinise the actions of the executive at national and European levels within the framework of the Semester cycle.

The second event is the *Interparliamentary Conference under Article 13 of the Treaty on Stability, Coordination and Governance in the Economic and Monetary Union (TSCG)*. The Conference is co-organised and co-presided by the *Saeima* of the Republic of Latvia and the European Parliament. The purpose of this event is to discuss issues coming under the scope of Article 13 of the TSCG with emphasis on the European Union's new infrastructure plan, best practices in implementing the Fiscal Compact and the social dimension of the Economic and Monetary Union. The Conference is aimed at further developing the cooperation of the Parliaments of the European Union in relation to matters covered by the TSCG.

We very much hope that your Parliament/Chamber will be represented at both events. We are convinced that your participation will contribute to fruitful discussions. Please find enclosed the preliminary draft agenda for each event. Further details about the EPW will follow in due course.

Yours sincerely,

**Martin Schulz**  
President of the European Parliament

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Speaker of the *Saeima* of the Republic of Latvia