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PROGRAM

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OVERALL PROGRAM

MON 20th

- 9.15** Tour at the European Parliament
- 14.00** A crash course on Sápmi
- 16.00** Side event: Show Your Sámi Spirit!
- 18.00** Rematriation of a Ládjogahpir – Return to Máttaráhkká - Opening of Outi Pieski's exhibition, in collaboration with Eeva-Kristiina Nylander
- 19.00** Sámi Mingle

TUE 21st

- 8.30** High-Level Opening
- 10.00** EU-Sápmi Partnership - Alliance for the future
- 14.00** Climate Justice, the pathway to a sustainable future, for all
- 18.00** Reception with Sámi music and food
- 20.30** Starting from Staring, dance performance by Katja and Birit Haarla
- 22.00** Sámi DJ set by Savza

WED 22nd

- 9.00** The potential of Sámi culture
- 11.30** Concluding remarks



MONDAY 20th

- 09.15** **Tour at the European Parliament**
Rue Wiertz 60, SPAAK building
- For Sámi delegates
- 12.00** **Registration opens**
Committee of the Regions, VMA Building, rue Van Maerlant 2
- 12.30** **Lunch**
- 14.00** **A crash course on Sápmi**
Room VM1, CoR
- Sápmi and the Sámi people *Suoma Sámi Nuorat*
 - Sápmi and the UN *TBC*
 - Sápmi and the EU *Elle Merete Omma, Head of EU Unit, Saami Council*
- 16.00** **Side event: Show Your Sámi Spirit!**
Press Club, Rue Froissart 95
- A political-cultural event ft. Sámi popstar Ella Marie Haetta Isaksen and EXCLUSIVE clips from upcoming documentary 'Ella's Riot'.
 - Host: MEP Alviina Alametsä
 - Separate registration required
- 18.00** **Rematriation of a Ládjogahpir – Return to Máttaráhkká**
European Parliament
- Opening of art exhibition by Outi Pieski, in collaboration with Eeva-Kristiina Nylander
- 19.00** **Sámi Mingle**
- TBA



TUESDAY 21st

8.30 High-Level Opening

Room VM1, CoR

- TBC, *European Committee of the Regions*
- Heidi Hautala, *Vice-President, European Parliament*
- Christina Henriksen, *President, Saami Council*
- Håkan Jonsson, *President, Sámi Parliamentary Council*
- Petra Laiti, *Chair, Suoma Sámi Nuorat*
- Dubravka Šuica, *Vice-President, European Commission*
- Virginijus Sinkevičius, *Commissioner, Environment, Oceans, and Fisheries*

10.00 EU-Sápmi Partnership - Alliance for the future

Room VM1, CoR

- Host MEPs: Sirpa Pietikäinen and Alice Bah Kuhnke
- A Sámi EU Strategy - An expert opinion on priorities for the future, *Rune Fjellheim, EU-Sápmi Jurddabeassi*
- Sámit, one people living in four countries, the value of a partnership, *Håkan Jonsson, President, Sámi Parliamentary Council*
- From dialogue to partnership, taking the next step for the future, *Raphaël Goulet, DG Mare*
- EU taking action for Indigenous Peoples rights and participation globally – role of Sápmi, *Ms Luisa Ragher, Head of Division for the Human Rights Division, EEAS*

Panel discussion

- Alice Bah Kuhnke *Host MEP, Greens/EFA*
- Christina Henriksen *President, Saami Council*
- Tuomas Aslak Juuso *President, Sámi Parliament of Finland*
- Urmas Paet *MEP, Renew Europe, Chair of Arctic Friendship Group*



TUESDAY 21st

12.30 Lunch

14.00 **Climate Justice, the pathway to a sustainable future, for all**
Room VM1 CoR

- Host MEPs: Alviina Alametsä and Erik Bergkvist
- How consequences of the green transition affect Sápmi? *Mikael Kuhmunen*
- Demand for a just future for Sámi Youth, *Anni-Sofia Niittyvuopio, Chair, Finnish Sámi Parliament's Youth Council*
- How to walk the talk, the new EU Arctic Policy, *Michael Mann, EU Special Envoy for Arctic Matters*
- Why the EU will gain on a climate justice approach? *Jesus Maria Alquezar Sabadie, DG ENV*

Panel discussion

- Åsa Larsson Blind, *Vice-President, Saami Council*
- Silje Karine Muotka, *President, Sámi Parliament of Norway*
- Erik Bergkvist *Host MEP, S&D*
- Heidi Hautala, *Vice-President, European Parliament*



TUESDAY 21st

18.00 Reception with Sámi food
[BOZAR, Rue Ravenstein 23](#)

- Concert by Sámi artist Marja Mortensson w/band
- Sámi Food by Slow Food Sápmi
- Pre-registered participants only

20.30 Starting from Staring - Sámi Dance Performance by Katja and Birit Haarla
[Beursschouburg, 20-28 Rue Aguste Orts](#)

- Organized in collaboration with Finnish Cultural Institute, Riddu Riđđu and Beursschouburg
- [Get tickets here](#)

22.00 Sámi DJ set by Savza
[Beursschouburg, 20-28 Rue Aguste Orts](#)

- Savza, Sámi house artist from Unjárga (NO), comes to Brussels from the frigid north to bring some fire to the dancefloor with strong basslines and crisp beats.
- Open entrance

WEDNESDAY 22nd

09.00 The potential of Sámi culture Room VM1, CoR

- Host MEPs: Nils Torvalds and Malin Björk
- Kultur Sápmi Jurddabeassi report - Main takeaways for policy makers, *Christina Hætta, Head of the Culture Unit, Saami Council*
- The rise of Sámi literature, *Lea Simma, Tjállegoahtte*
- Sámi storytelling in a new shape, *Gunn-Britt Retter*
- How EU can strengthen the Sámi culture? *Slawomir Tokarski, European Territorial Cooperation, Macro-regions, Interreg and Programmes Implementation, DG REGIO*

Panel discussion

- Nils Torvalds, Host MEP, Renew Europe
- Petra Laiti, Chair, *Suoma Sámi Nuorat*
- Ol Johan Gaup, Board member, Saami Council
- Ulla-Karin Sarri, Sámi Parliament of Sweden
- TBC

11.30 Concluding remarks Room VM1, CoR



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