



Dear Colleague,

On my behalf and on behalf of the *Assembleia da República*, the Portuguese Parliament, I have the honor to invite Representatives of the Parliament to which Your Excellency presides to participate in the Interparliamentary Conference on the role of Parliaments in deepening the European Union – Africa relationship, which will take place in the next 21 of June, 2021, within the scope of the Parliamentary Dimension of the Portuguese Presidency of the Council of the European Union.

Bearing in mind the strong restrictions that the pandemic situation continues to cause, which have had serious implications for the functioning of our Institutions, we will not have yet the opportunity to welcome in person your Parliament's Delegation. The Conference will, therefore, take place in a virtual format, by videoconference, although with the same ambition that it would have in a face-to-face model.

I would be grateful if you could transmit the letter of invitation from the Chair of the European Affairs Committee, Luís Capoulas Santos MP, to the Chairpersons and Members of the competent Committees of Your Excellency's Parliament.

With the assurances of my highest consideration,

Eduardo Ferro Rodrigues

President of the Assembleia da República

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São Bento Palace, 20 May 2021

