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The Speaker participates in the European Conference of Presidents of Parliament and pays a courtesy visit to the Maltese Embassy in Dublin

Speaker Anglu Farrugia participated in the European Conference of Presidents of Parliament held in Dublin between the 28 and 29 September 2023. The conference focused on three themes: “*Consequences of Russia’s war of aggression against Ukraine and role of national Parliaments in Ukraine’s reconstruction*”; “*The challenges to representative democracy in volatile times*”; and “*Equality and diversity in public representation - the participation of young people, women and ethnic and social groups as members of parliament*”.

Throughout the conference, Speaker Farrugia was accompanied by Mr Giovanni Buttigieg, Ambassador of Malta to Ireland, and Ms Sarah Mallia from the Office of the Speaker.

During his stay in Ireland, Dr Farrugia met the staff at the Embassy of Malta in Dublin. He expressed his heartfelt thanks to the Embassy’s employees for the sterling work carried out to assist the Maltese community, Maltese tourists visiting Ireland and for the upkeep of the bilateral relations between Malta and Ireland.