



REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
THE PARLIAMENT
Office of the Speaker

Tirana, on. 19.06.2026

Distinguished Mr. President Kross,

I would like to wholeheartedly thank you for the warm meeting and the pleasant moments the delegation of the Parliament of Albania and myself shared with you during our visit in the Riigikogu, on June 2.

Albania is deeply grateful to Estonia for its steadfast support of our European integration path, and we highly appreciate your reaffirmation and that of the Committee on European Union Affairs that this support will continue as we pursue our strategic national objective: to conclude accession negotiations by 2027 and achieve membership in the European Union by 2030, based on merit, achievements and standards and implementation of transformative reforms. I also greatly value Estonia's position that enlargement remains a strategic priority for the European Union and that the integration of the Western Balkans is an investment in a more secure, resilient and united Europe.

I also thank you for your contribution to intensify cooperation between the Parliament of Albania and the Riigikogu, as well as between our respective friendship groups and members of parliament, in order to foster bilateral relations and friendship between our peoples, while also supporting Albania's progress towards full membership in the European family.

Albania and Estonia, as active NATO members, will continue to support Ukraine's sovereignty, territorial integrity and the right to self-defense. We will also continue to strengthen our cooperation to protect peace, security and stability in our region, in Europe and beyond, considering this process as a contribution to the protection of democracy, freedom and our shared values.

Sincerely,

Niko PELESHI

Honorable Mr Eerik-Niiles KROSS,
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Riigikogu of the Republic of Estonia
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