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Ladies and Gentlemen, we are meeting here today for a triple baptism; that of the three buildings housing the European Parliament's services in Brussels. The D1–D2 building will thus become the Paul-Henri Spaak Building. From now on, the D3 building will be called the Altiero Spinelli Building, and the Montoyer Building will henceforth take the name of Bertha von Suttner. Together with Robert Schuman, Konrad Adenauer, Alcide De Gasperi and Joseph Bech, he (Paul-Henri Spaak) was, from 1949 to 1957, one of the founding fathers of Europe. He was President of the Consultative Assembly of the European Coal and Steel Community, the forerunner of our Parliament.