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# 133<sup>rd</sup> IPU ASSEMBLY AND RELATED MEETINGS

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## JOURNAL<sup>1</sup> Monday, 19 October 2015

Time	Meeting	Place
<b>9 a.m. – 1 p.m.</b>	<b>Assembly</b>	<b>Room 1 level 1, CIGG</b>
9 a.m. – 10.30 a.m.	♦ <b>Item 7 (emergency item)</b> – <i>The role of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, parliaments, parliamentarians, and international and regional organizations in providing necessary protection and urgent support to those who have become refugees through war, internal conflict and socio-economic situations, according to the principles of international humanitarian law and international conventions</i> – Debate	
10.30 – 10.45 a.m.	♦ Special segment on the humanitarian dimension of migration, with Ms. Christine Beerli, Vice-President of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), and Mr. Volker Türk, Assistant UN High Commissioner for Refugees	
10.45 a.m.–12.30 p.m.	♦ Continuation of the General Debate on <i>The moral and economic imperative for fairer, smarter and more humane migration</i>	
12.30 p.m. – 1 p.m.	♦ Launch of the Handbook for Parliamentarians on <i>Migration, human rights and governance</i> , produced jointly by the IPU, International Labour Organization (ILO) and Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)	
<b>9 a.m. – 10.30 a.m.</b>	<b>Bureau of the Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade</b>	<b>Room 18 level -1, CIGG (in camera)</b>
<b>9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.</b>	<b>Information session on the IPU's work and activities, open to all delegates</b>	<b>Room 2 level 0, CIGG</b>
<b>9.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.</b>	<b>Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights</b> ♦ <b>Item 4:</b> <i>Democracy in the digital era and the threat to privacy and individual freedoms</i> – Finalization of the draft resolution in plenary	<b>Rooms 3 &amp; 4 level 0, CIGG</b>
<b>9.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.</b>	<b>Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians</b>	<b>Room 15 level -1, CIGG (in camera)</b>
<b>11 a.m. – 1 p.m.</b>	<b>Committee on Middle East Questions</b>	<b>Room 18 level -1, CIGG (in camera)</b>
<b>2.30 p.m. – 4 p.m.</b>	<b>Bureau of the Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs</b>	<b>Room 15 level -1, CIGG (in camera)</b>
<b>2.30 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.</b>	<b>Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade</b> ♦ Segment on <i>Parliamentary contribution to the 2015 UN Climate Change Conference</i> ♦ Debate on <i>Ensuring lasting protection against destruction and deterioration for the tangible and intangible cultural heritage of humanity</i>	<b>Room 2 level 0, CIGG</b>

<sup>1</sup> Information as at 6 p.m. on 18 October.

<b>2 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.</b>	<b>Assembly</b>	<b>Room 1 level 1, CIGG</b>
2.30 p.m. – 3 p.m.	♦ Continuation of the General Debate	
3 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.	♦ Interactive debate with Dr. Margaret Chan, Director-General of the World Health Organization (WHO)	
3.30 – 6.30 p.m.	♦ Continuation of the General Debate	
<b>2.30 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.</b>	<b>Drafting committee on the emergency item</b>	<b>Room 18 level -1, CIGG (in camera)</b>
	♦ <b>Composition:</b> Iran (Islamic Republic of), Mexico, Venezuela <i>Those Geopolitical Groups which have not yet submitted the name of their representatives in the drafting committee are requested to do so before the start of its work.</i>	
<b>4.30 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.</b>	<b>Bureau of the Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights</b>	<b>Room 15 level -1, CIGG (in camera)</b>
<b>6.30 p.m.</b>	<b>Reception hosted by Switzerland</b> A short prize-giving ceremony for the IPU-sponsored essay competition held at the International School of Geneva on <i>What peace means to me</i> will take place at the start of the reception.	<b>Events area level 1, CIGG</b>

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## Preview of main programme for Tuesday, 20 October

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9 a.m. – 11 a.m.	<b>Panel discussion:</b> <i>Parliamentary action in meeting international commitments to counter terrorism</i>  <i>Moderators:</i> Mr. Martin Chungong, Secretary General of the IPU, and Mr. Mauro Miedico, Chief of Section, Terrorism Prevention Branch, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) <i>Panellists:</i> Mr. Jean-Paul Laborde, UN Assistant Secretary-General, Executive Director of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED), UN Security Council, Mr. Yury Fedotov, Executive Director, UNODC, and Mr. Khalid Koser, Executive Director of the Global Community Engagement and Resilience Fund (GCERF)  Mr. Mian R. Rabbani, Chairman of the Senate of Pakistan, Mr. Vincent de Paul Emah Etoundi, MP (Cameroon), Ms. Chantal Guittet, MP (France)	Rooms 3 & 4 level 0, CIGG
9.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m.	<b>Parity debate:</b> <i>Parliamentary oversight and political will</i> , organized by the Meeting of Women Parliamentarians  <i>Panellists:</i> Mr. Peter Katjavivi, Speaker of the Namibian National Assembly, Mr. Juan Pablo Letelier, Senator (Chile), Mr. Philippe Mahoux, Senator (Belgium), Ms. Pia Cayetano, Senator (Philippines), Ms. Fawzia Koofi, MP (Afghanistan), and Ms. Marija Lugarić, MP (Croatia)	Room 2 level 0, CIGG
11.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	<b>Meeting of Women Parliamentarians</b>	Room 2 level 0, CIGG
11.30 a.m. – 12 noon	♦ Follow-up to campaign <i>I am an MP. My power for women's power</i>	
12 noon – 1 p.m.	♦ <b>Panel debate:</b> <i>CEDAW and UN Security Council resolution 1325 on women, peace and security: Gender equality as an indispensable element of sustainable peace and security</i>  <i>Panellists:</i> Ms. Lia Nadaraia, member of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, and Mr. Ekwee Ethuro, President of the Senate of Kenya	
11.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	<b>Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights</b>	Rooms 3 & 4 level 0, CIGG
	♦ <b>Item 4:</b> <i>Democracy in the digital era and the threat to privacy and individual freedoms</i>  – Adoption of the draft resolution	

1 p.m. – 2.30 p.m.	<p><b>Side event: Monitor, review and act: Parliamentary leadership in implementing the Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health</b>, organized by the IPU, WHO and The Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (PMNCH)</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Dr. Marleen Temmerman, Director, WHO</p> <p><i>Panellists:</i> Dr. Flavia Bustreo, Assistant Director-General, WHO, Dr. Andres de Francisco, Deputy Executive Director, PMNCH, Ms. Rebecca Kadaga, Speaker of Parliament (Uganda), Mr. Futho Hooхло, Vice-President of the Senate of Lesotho, Ms. Ulrika Karlsson, MP (Sweden), and Mr. Victor Suárez, MP (Dominican Republic)</p> <p>Interpretation will be provided in English, French and Spanish.</p> <p>A light lunch will be served.</p>	Room 18 level -1, CICC
2.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.	<p><b>Open session of the Committee to Promote Respect for International Humanitarian Law: The humanitarian dimension of forced migration – asylum-seekers and refugees. From emergency responses to comprehensive approaches</b></p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Mr. Patrick Taran, Global Migration Policy Associates</p> <p><i>Panellists:</i> Father Mussie Zerai, Chairman of Hadeshia Agency Cooperation for Development, Mr. José Riera, Senior Adviser, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), and Ms. Tamam Alriyati, MP (Jordan)</p>	Rooms 3 & 4 level 0, CICC
2.30 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.	<p><b>Assembly</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ <b>Item 7 (emergency item) – The role of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, parliaments, parliamentarians, and international and regional organizations in providing necessary protection and urgent support to those who have become refugees through war, internal conflict and socio-economic situations, according to the principles of international humanitarian law and international conventions</b></li> <li style="padding-left: 20px;">– Adoption of the resolution</li> <li>♦ Conclusion of the General Debate</li> </ul>	Room 1 level 1, CICC
2.30 p.m. – 6.15 p.m.	<p><b>Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ <i>Review of the work of the UN Peacebuilding Commission</i>, with Mr. Antonio Inacio Correia, Vice-President of the National People's Assembly of Guinea-Bissau, and Mr. Oliver Jütersonke, Head of Research, Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (GIIDS), Geneva</li> <li>♦ <i>Discussion on the role of the International Court of Justice in the settlement of international disputes</i>, with Mr. Marcelo Kohen, Professor of International Law, GIIDS, and Mr. Jürg Lindenmann, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Switzerland</li> </ul>	Room 2 level 0, CICC
6.30 p.m. – 8 p.m.	<p><b>2015 Future Policy Awards Ceremony <i>The Rights of Children</i>, followed by a reception</b> (Events area, level 1, CICC)</p>	Room 2 level 0, CICC

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## OTHER EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

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### Wednesday, 21 October 2015

11 a.m. – 12 noon	<p><b>Briefing on Non-Communicable Diseases, organized by the IPU and WHO</b></p>	Room 18 level -1, CICC
2.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.	<p><b>Panel discussion: Powerful parliaments: Building capacity for effective parliamentary oversight</b>, jointly organized by the IPU and ASGP</p>	Rooms 3 & 4 level 0, CICC

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## OTHER INFORMATION

- ♦ **List of participants:** Delegations are reminded that the provisional list of participants has been published on the IPU website ([www.ipu.org](http://www.ipu.org)) and that only a limited number of printed copies are available. In order to ensure the accuracy of the final list of participants, delegations are kindly requested to report any changes to Ms. Marina Filippin at the Registration Desk by **12 noon on Tuesday, 20 October**. The final list of participants will be published on the IPU website.
- ♦ **Global Parliamentary Report:** In addition to the parity debate and panel discussion taking place on Tuesday, 20 October, and Wednesday, 21 October, respectively, delegates are invited to participate in a survey and face-to-face interviews on parliamentary oversight. For further information, please visit the stand in front of the coffee bar on level 0 or contact Ms. Patricia Goldschmid (survey) and Ms. Doris Niragire Nirere (interviews) at [gpr@ipu.org](mailto:gpr@ipu.org).
- ♦ **Information stand on migration conventions:** Delegates are invited to visit the stand, located on level 1 of the CICG, to find out more information about the ratification and implementation of international conventions and to affirm their commitment by joining the IPU's network on the topic and signing the "Taking Action on Migration" banner.
- ♦ **IPU gift items:** IPU logo gift items are on sale at a stand located on level 1 of the CICG, at the top of the escalator, next to the information stand on migration conventions. The stand is open from Monday, 19 to Wednesday, 21 October, between 12 noon and 2 p.m. Please note that only cash payment in Swiss francs (CHF) is accepted.

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## MEDIA INFORMATION



Take part in or follow the Assembly debates through **Twitter** using #IPU133 ([www.twitter.com/ipuparliament](http://www.twitter.com/ipuparliament)). For the Meeting of Women Parliamentarians, please use #WomenMPs. To follow the Forum of Young Parliamentarians of the IPU, please use #YoungMPs.



Photos from the Assembly are available for free download and use at <http://www.ipu.org/133pics>.

\* \* \* For all media enquiries, contact Jemini Pandya (Office 7, IPU Secretariat area, level 2, CICG, tel. 022 791 9429) \* \* \*

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## VACANCIES TO BE FILLED AT THE 133<sup>rd</sup> ASSEMBLY

For more detailed information, please see [Vacancies](#) document.

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On 21 October 2015, the Governing Council will be required to hold elections as outlined below. Candidatures (a signed letter and one-page curriculum vitae) may be submitted to the Submission and Control of Documents Service (Office 1, IPU Secretariat area, level 2, CICG) up to 9.30 a.m. on Tuesday, 20 October 2015.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Governing Council will be required to elect **eight members**: two members each for the African Group, the Asia-Pacific Group and the Twelve Plus Group; and one member each for the Eurasia Group and the Group of Latin America and the Caribbean (GRULAC). Geopolitical groups are reminded that, in order to respect the Statutes, at least one of the candidates elected should be a woman.

*To date, the following candidatures have been received:*

- Ms. C. Cerqueira (Angola): candidature submitted by the African group;
- Mr. D.E. Ethuro (Kenya): candidature submitted by the African Group;
- Mr. K. Jalali (Islamic Republic of Iran): candidature submitted by the Asia-Pacific Group;
- Mr. Tran Van Hang (Viet Nam): candidature submitted by the Asia-Pacific Group;
- Mr. K. Kosachev (Russian Federation): candidature submitted by the Eurasia Group;
- Mr. A. Lins (Brazil): candidature submitted by GRULAC;
- Mr. I. Liddell-Grainger (United Kingdom): candidature submitted by the Twelve Plus Group (to complete the term of the United Kingdom).

### COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES

#### Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians

The Governing Council will be required to elect **one female titular member**.

*To date, the following candidature has been received:*

- Ms. T. Lindberg (Sweden): candidature submitted by the Twelve Plus Group.

#### Committee on Middle East Questions

The Governing Council will be required to elect **three titular members** and **one substitute member**.

*To date, the following candidatures have been received:*

- Ms. N. Motsamai (Lesotho): candidature submitted as titular member by the African Group;
- Ms. C. Vienne (Belgium): candidature submitted as titular member by the Twelve Plus Group;
- Mr. R. Nordqvist (Denmark): candidature submitted as titular member or substitute member by the Twelve Plus Group.

Committee to Promote Respect for International Humanitarian Law

The Governing Council will be required to elect **three members**: two members (one man and one woman) for the Twelve Plus Group; and one member (male) for the Eurasia Group.

*To date, the following candidature has been received:*

– *Mr. P. Mahoux (Belgium): candidature submitted by the Twelve Plus Group.*

Group of Facilitators for Cyprus

The Governing Council will be required to elect **one facilitator**.

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**STANDING COMMITTEE BUREAUX**

At the last sitting of the relevant Standing Committees, the following elections will be held:

Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade

**Seven vacancies:** One vacancy each for the African Group and Asia-Pacific Group, to be filled by a man or a woman; three vacancies for GRULAC, to be filled by men and women; and two vacancies for the Eurasia Group, at least one of which must be filled by a woman.

*To date, the following candidatures have been received:*

– *Mr. F. Musendu Flungu (Democratic Republic of the Congo): candidature submitted by the African Group (at the 132<sup>nd</sup> Assembly);*

– *Mr. K. Abdullah (Kuwait): candidature submitted by the Arab Group (to complete the term of Kuwait);*

– *Mr. N. Singh (India): candidature submitted by the Asia-Pacific Group;*

– *Mr. L.A. Heber (Uruguay), Mr. J. León Rivera (Peru) and Ms. C. Prado (Panama): candidatures submitted by GRULAC;*

– *Ms. J. Mijatovic (Serbia): candidature submitted by the Twelve Plus Group (to complete the term of Serbia).*

Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights

**One vacancy** for the Eurasia Group to be filled by a man.

*To date, the following candidature has been received:*

– *Mr. M. Bouva (Suriname): candidature submitted by GRULAC (to complete the term of Suriname).*

Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs

**Three vacancies:** Two vacancies for the Eurasia Group, at least one of which must be filled by a woman; and one vacancy for the Twelve Plus Group to be filled by a woman.

*To date, the following candidature has been received:*

– *Ms. A. Trettebergstuen (Norway): candidature submitted by the Twelve Plus Group.*

*Candidatures for the above vacancies may be submitted up to the time of the elections.*

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**APPOINTMENT OF TWO INTERNAL AUDITORS FOR THE 2016 ACCOUNTS**

The Governing Council will appoint **two Internal Auditors** for the 2016 fiscal year.

*To date, the following candidature has been received:*

– *Mr. A. Gryffroy (Belgium): candidature submitted by the Twelve Plus Group.*

*Candidatures may be submitted up to 9.30 a.m. on Tuesday, 20 October 2015.*

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