



Global Summit of Women Speakers of Parliament United for shaping the future

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AGENDA

Sunday, 11 December 2016			
8:00 – 10:00 p.m.	Welcome reception and dinner		
	DAY 1 (Monday, 12 December 2016)		
9:00 – 9:45 a.m.	Registration		
9:45 – 10:00 a.m.	Group photo for Women Speakers of Parliament		
10:00 – 11:10 a.m.	 Opening Ceremony Welcome addresses H.E. Dr. Amal Al Qubaisi, Speaker of the Federal National Council (UAE) H.E. Saber Chowdhury, President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union Opening keynote addresses: Grand Imam Ahmed AI-Tayeb (Sheikh of AI-Azhar) Mr. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations (video message) Ms. Federica Mogherini, Vice-President of the European Commission (video message) H.H. Sheikh Saif Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Interior (UAE) 		
11:10 a.m.– 12:30 p.m.	 Reimagining the future: The megatrends shaping our world A look at the geopolitical, socioeconomic, educational, environmental and technological megatrends that are shaping our future and changing the world and how it is governed. H.E. Valentina Matvienko, Chairperson of the Council of the Federation (Russian Federation) H.E. Dr. Amal Al Qubaisi, Speaker of the Federal National Council (UAE) Dr. Michio Kaku, Professor of theoretical physics at the City College of New York and CUNY Graduate Center (USA) Mr. Raymond Hammond, Author and futurist (United Kingdom) Mr. Jeff Martin, Founder and CEO, Tribal Planet (USA) Discussion leader: Mr. John Defterios, CNNMoney Emerging Markets Editor 		
12:30 – 1:45 p.m.	Lunch		
1:45 – 3:00 p.m.	 United to advance peace and security Preserving peace is becoming more difficult as conflicts become more diverse and complex and have an increasingly adverse impact on the security landscape. How will parliaments unite to fight terror and help end the root causes? <i>H.E. Olga Zrihen, Vice-President of the Senate (Belgium)</i> <i>H.E. Ināra Mūrniece, Speaker of the Saeima (Latvia)</i> <i>H.E. Margaret Mensah-Williams, Chairperson of the National Council and President of the IPU Bureau of Women Parliamentarians (Namibia)</i> <i>H.E. Luz Filomena Salgado Rubianes, President of the Congress of the Republic (Peru)</i> <i>H.E. Maja Gojković, Speaker of the National Assembly (Serbia)</i> <i>H.E. Christine Muttonen, President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the OSCE</i> Discussion leader: Mr. Frank Sesno, Director, George Washington University School of Media and Public Affairs (USA) 		

3:00 – 4:15 p.m.	United to secure economic prosperity for future generations
	As youth take the foreground as agents of change, they are facing major challenges that affect economic prosperity, including scarcity of resources, changing demographics and hyper- urbanization in many regions of the world. How can parliaments work together to develop innovative policies to tackle shared socio-economic challenges, including achieving equitable development?
	H.E. Gabriela Michetti, Vice-President of the Republic and President of the Senate and (Argentina)
	 H.E. Verónica Nataniel Macamo Dlhovo, Speaker of the Parliament (Mozambique) H.E. Rebecca Alitwala Kadaga, Speaker of the National Parliament (Uganda) H.E. Blanca Ruiz Alcalá, President of the Parliament of Latin America and the Caribbean H.E. Dr. Sultan Al Jaber, Minister of State and CEO of ADNOC Group (UAE) Ms. Dambisa Moyo, Global economist and author (Zambia)
	Discussion leader: Mr. John Defterios, CNNMoney Emerging Markets Editor
4:15 – 4:30 p.m.	Coffee break
	United to safeguard a healthy planet
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.	A look at innovative approaches to protect our planet and how to lead the way through effective parliamentary action. The session will examine the parliamentary implications of the Paris Agreement and relevant Sustainable Development Goals.
	 H.E. Jiko Fatafehi Luveni, Speaker of Parliament (Fiji) H.E. Lucie Milebou-Aubusson, President of the Senate (Gabon) H.E Pany Yathotou, Speaker of the National Assembly (Lao People's Democratic Republic) H.E. Ntlhoi Alice Motsamai, Speaker of the National Assembly (Lesotho) H.E. Jennifer Geerlings-Simons, Speaker of the National Assembly (Suriname) H.E. Nguyễn Thi Kim Ngân, President of the National Assembly (Viet Nam)
	Discussion leader: H.E. Dr. Thani Al Zeyoudi, Cabinet Member and Minister of Climate Change and the Environment (UAE)
5:30 – 6:30 p.m.	The changing dynamics of political communication
	This session examines the role of parliament in maximizing the use of communication technologies and social media for improving citizen participation while enacting appropriate legislation and working with other government branches to limit its abuse including exploitation by terrorist organizations for political gain.
	 H.E. Alincia Williams-Grant, President of the Senate (Antigua and Barbuda) H.E. Ankie Broekers-Knol, President of the Senate (Netherlands)
	 H.E. Noura Al Kaabi, Minister of State for Federal National Council Affairs (UAE)
	H.E. Dariga Nazarbayeva, Chairman of the Committee on International Relations, Defence and Security of the Security (Kezekheten) (TBC)
	 and Security of the Senate (Kazakhstan) (TBC) Mr. Frank Sesno, Director, George Washington University School of Media and Public Affairs (USA)
	Discussion leader: Mr. Mohammed Al Otaiba, Editor-in-chief of "The National" (UAE)
7:30 – 10:00 pm	Gala Dinner (for women only)

	Day 2 - Tuesday, 13 De	ecember 2016	
9:00 – 10:15 a.m.	 Governing tolerance Can tolerance be governed? Can attitudes and values be influenced through legislation and government action? How can parliaments contribute to eradicating the root causes of intolerance, which often leads to violence, discrimination and terrorism? H.E. Sharon Wilson, President of the Senate (Bahamas) H.E. Halimah Yacob, Speaker of Parliament (Singapore) H.E. Bridgid Mary Annisette-George, Speaker of the House of Representatives (Trinidad and Tobago) H.E. Edna Madzongwe, President of the Senate (Zimbabwe) H.E. Sheikha Lubna AI Qasimi, Minister of State for Tolerance (UAE) RH Anne Rafferty, Chairman of the Judicial College (United Kingdom) Discussion Leader: Mr. Mohammad Baharoon, Director General, Dubai Public Policy Research Center (UAE) 		
10:15 – 10:45 a.m.	 Youth Perspectives - Part 1 This session is intended to capture the apprehensions, fears, aspirations and ideas of the youth as related to the three major themes of the Summit: socioeconomic, science and technology and geopolitical. How do youth see the present and how do they look at their own future? H.E. Saeed Saleh AI Rumaithi, Member of the Federal National Council (UAE), President of the Board of the IPU Forum of Young Parliamentarians H.E. Alya Soliman AI-Jassim, Member of the Federal National Council (UAE) Mr. Jacobo Pombo Garcia, President of the Global Youth Leadership Forum (Spain) Mr. Jamie Woodruff, Ethical Hacker (United Kingdom) University students: Hend AlTair, Khalifa University; Fatima Alqaydi, Khalifa University; Larissa Bukharina, Paris-Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi; Maitha Al Memari, New York University Abu Dhabi, Guillaume Sylvain, New York University Abu Dhabi; Maryam Yaqoobi, Higher Colleges of Technology; Ahmed Issa Ahmed, Zayed University Discussion Leader: Mr. Frank Sesno, Director, George Washington University School of Media & Public Affairs (USA) 		
10:45 – 10:50 a.m.	Break		
10:50 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Roundtable for women Speakers of Parliament (closed session)	10:50 am Youth Perspectives – Part 2 12:15 p.m.: Visit to the Exhibition of the Future	
1:15 – 2:15 p.m.	Lunch		
2:15 – 2:25 p.m.	Keynote address Ms. Marillyn Hewson, Chairman, President and CEO, Lockheed Martin Corporation (USA		
2:25 – 3:25 p.m.	 Transformative innovations: Opportunities and ethical dilemmas From engineering new life forms to having machines trusted with life and death judgements, legislators are facing new ethical dilemmas that need to be addressed. This session examines the opportunities brought about by science and technology that transform our way of life, as well as the ethical and moral implications. <i>Mr. Homaid AI Shimmari, CEO of Aerospace and Engineering Services, Mubadala Development Company (UAE)</i> <i>Dr. Charles Elachi, Former Director of NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory (USA)</i> <i>Mr. Andrew Hessel, Distinguished Researcher, Bio/Nano Research Group, Autodesk, Co-founder of Pink Army Cooperative (USA)</i> <i>Mr. Jeffrey O. Kephart, Distinguished Research Scientist, Symbiotic Cognitive Systems, IBM (USA)</i> <i>Dr. Habiba AI Safar, Director, Khalifa University Center for Biotechnology (UAE)</i> Discussion Leader: Dr. Rafic Makki, Senior Vice-President and Executive Fellow, Globalfoundries (UAE) 		

3:25 – 4:40 p.m.	United towards a more inclusive society How can parliaments, through legislation, government oversight and working closely with
	international organizations, bring about gender balance and put an end to violence against women?
	A presentation will introduce the results of the IPU study on harassment, intimidation and violence against women.
	 H.E. Eileen Alix Boyd-Knights, Speaker of the House of Assembly (Dominica) H.E. Santi Bai Hanoomanjee, Speaker of National Assembly (Mauritius)
	 H.E. Onsari Gharti, Speaker of Legislature-Parliament (Nepal)
	H.E. Jeanne d'Arc Gakuba, Vice-President of the Senate (Rwanda)
	H.E. Edith Mendoza Fernández, President of the Andean Parliament
	 Ms. Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, Executive Director, UN Women (video message) Ms. Anna Diamantopoulou, President of "TO DIKTIO" (Greece)
	 Dr. Dubravka Simonovic, United Nations Special Rapporteur on violence against women
	Discussion Leader: H.E. Martin Chungong, Secretary General of the Inter-Parliamentary Union
4:40 – 4:55 p.m.	Coffee break
4:55 – 6:20 p.m.	Transforming parliaments for a better future
	This session focuses on the need for parliaments to transform in order to respond to the megatrends that are shaping our world, and address associated present and future challenges. What form will such a transformation take and how can we start it today?
	H.E. Saber Chowdhury, President of Inter-Parliamentary Union
	 H.E. Gabriela Rivadeneira, President of the National Assembly (Ecuador) H.E. Maria Lohela, Speaker of Parliament (Finland)
	H.E. Leonne Theodore-John, Speaker of the House of Assembly (Saint Lucia)
	 H.E. Ester D.S. Dlamini, Deputy Speaker of the House of Assembly (Swaziland) H.E. Ohood AI Roumi, Minister of State for Happiness (UAE)
	Discussion Leader: Ms. Mary Hanafin, Councillor, Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Counc (Ireland)
6:20 – 6:50 p.m.	Closing session: Abu Dhabi Declaration
	The Summit will close with actionable recommendations emanating from this Summit and building on declarations from previous IPU sponsored meetings.
	 H.E. Saber Chowdhury, President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union H.E. Dr. Amal AI Qubaisi, Speaker of the Federal National Council (UAE)