

**PARLIAMENTARY MEETING ON THE OCCASION OF THE
THIRD FORUM OF THE UNITED NATIONS ALLIANCE OF CIVILIZATIONS**

Rio de Janeiro, 27 May 2010
Museum of Modern Art

AGENDA

Thursday, 27 May 2010

3:30 – 3:45 p.m. Opening remarks

H.E. Mr. Michel Temer, President of the Chamber of Deputies,
Parliament of Brazil

3:45 – 4:00 p.m. Keynote address

President Jorge Sampaio, United Nations High Representative for the
Alliance of Civilizations

4:00 – 4:30 p.m. Presentation of the Alliance of Civilizations' Programmes

Questions and answers

4:30 – 5:30 p.m. Follow-up to the IPU Resolution on Ensuring respect for and peaceful coexistence between all religious communities and beliefs in a globalized world

This session will provide an opportunity to take stock and highlight parliamentary action in implementing the findings and recommendations of the Resolution and reflecting upon new avenues and partnerships to help build greater trust and understanding among diverse religious and cultural communities. It will also examine the involvement of national parliaments in the elaboration and implementation of National Plans for Intercultural Dialogue.

Discussants:

- Mr. Mahmut Erol Kilic, Secretary General of the Parliamentary Union of the Organisation of The Islamic Conference (OIC)
- The Honorable Mr. Zwelethu Lukanyiso Madasa, Member of Parliament, South Africa
- Mr. Melvut Cavusoglu, President, Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Enhancing effective political participation of minorities and indigenous groups

- Examine the main obstacles to effective participation of minorities and indigenous peoples;
- Identify ways in which parliaments and their members can develop strategies for the effective participation of cultural and religious communities in public life;
- Facilitate sharing of experiences, lessons learned and challenges across regions;

Discussants:

- His Excellency Mr. Yonadam Kanna, Member of Parliament, Iraq
- His Excellency Mr. Ernesto Ramiro Estacio, Senator, Colombia
- Mr. William Swing, Director General, International Organization for Migration (IOM)

6:30 – 6:45 p.m. Closing remarks

7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Reception for participants hosted by the Alliance of Civilizations and the Government of Brazil
Copacabana Palace Hotel