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Time	Meeting	Place ²
9 a.m. – 10 a.m.	Board of the Forum of Young Parliamentarians	Salwa 1 <i>(in camera)</i>
9.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Governing Council <p>During this sitting, the Governing Council will continue its consideration of items remaining on its agenda. It will complete its work during the afternoon sitting.</p> <p>Remaining items include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">› Reports on recent IPU specialized meetings› Reports and decisions of the Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians› Reports of committees and other bodies› Future inter-parliamentary meetings <p>The Governing Council will hold the following elections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">› Election of one member to the Executive Committee› Election of one member to the Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians› Election of two members to the Committee on Middle East Questions› Election of one facilitator to the Group of Facilitators for Cyprus› Election of two members to the Committee to Promote Respect for International Humanitarian Law› Election of 21 members to the High-level Advisory Group on Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism	Al Dafna
10.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.	Meeting of the Association of Secretaries General of Parliaments (ASGP)	Salwa 3
10.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.	Joint Meeting of the Bureau of Women Parliamentarians and the Board of the Forum of Young Parliamentarians on <i>Sexism, harassment and violence against women MPs</i>	Salwa 1 <i>(in camera)</i>

¹ Information as at 5 p.m. on 9 April.

² All meeting rooms indicated are located in the Sheraton Convention Center.

2 p.m. – 4 p.m.	Joint IPU–ASGP session on <i>Innovation in parliament: Getting ready for the future</i> <i>Moderator:</i> Senator R. Saint-Germain (Canada)	Salwa 3
2.30. p.m.	Governing Council The Council will complete its consideration of the remaining items on its agenda.	Al Dafna
At the end of the Governing Council	Assembly – Closing sitting <ul style="list-style-type: none">♦ General Debate on the theme <i>Parliaments as platforms to enhance education for peace, security and the rule of law (Item 3)</i><ul style="list-style-type: none">› Adoption of the outcome document♦ Non-admissibility of using mercenaries as a means of undermining peace and violating human rights (<i>Standing Committee on Peace and International Security (Item 4)</i>) <i>Rapporteur:</i> Mr. J.I. Echániz (Spain)<ul style="list-style-type: none">› Adoption of the draft resolution♦ The role of fair and free trade and investment in achieving the SDGs, especially regarding economic equality, sustainable infrastructure, industrialization and innovation (<i>Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade (Item 5)</i>) <i>Rapporteur:</i> Ms. V. Muzenda (Zimbabwe)<ul style="list-style-type: none">› Adoption of the draft resolution♦ Reports of the Standing Committees (Item 6) <i>Rapporteurs:</i> Ms. A. Gerken (Netherlands), Vice-President of the Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights Mr. J.C. Romero (Argentina), President of the Committee on United Nations Affairs♦ Approval of the subject items for the Standing Committee on Peace and International Security and for the Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade at the 142nd Assembly and appointment of the Rapporteurs (Item 7)<ul style="list-style-type: none">› <i>Parliamentary strategies to strengthen peace and security against threats and conflicts resulting from climate-related disasters and their consequences</i> (Standing Committee on Peace and International Security) <i>Co-Rapporteurs:</i> - Ms. C. Roth (Germany) - To be designated› <i>Mainstreaming digitization and the circular economy to achieve the SDGs, particularly responsible consumption and production</i> (Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade) <i>Co-Rapporteurs:</i> - Ms. S. Diniča (Romania) - Mr. A. Gryffroy (Belgium) - To be designated♦ Concluding remarks by representatives of the Geopolitical Groups	Al Dafna
	Closure of the Assembly	

OTHER ASSEMBLY ACTIVITIES

- ♦ **Knowledge Fair for Education:** A number of stands have been set up close to the Plenary Hall, with a view to providing an opportunity for delegates to interact with members of education-related institutions and IPU partners. Exhibitors include H.E.R. Academy, the Qatar Foundation, the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). The Fair is open until 2 p.m. today, Wednesday, 10 April.
- ♦ **Information stand on the new reporting exercise:** When is your parliament expected to report? How can you share good practices? What can you do to implement IPU resolutions and decisions? Delegates are invited to find out the answers to these questions and more by visiting the stand, located close to the Plenary Room (Al Dafna), or by emailing their questions to rr@ipu.org.
- ♦ **Calling on all Parliaments to endorse the *Common Principles for Support to Parliaments*:** To date, 110 parliaments have endorsed the *Common Principles*, including Armenia, Belgium, Brazil, Eswatini, Greece, Mongolia, Mozambique, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, San Marino, South Sudan and Sri Lanka during the 140th Assembly. The *Common Principles* can be endorsed by means of a letter of notification to the Secretary General of the IPU from a parliament's Speaker, Secretary General and/or IPU Group President. The *Common Principles* can be accessed at <https://www.ipu.org/resources/publications/reference/2016-07/common-principles-support-parliaments>. Please come to the stand in the foyer beside the Plenary Room (Al Dafna) to find out more. If your parliament has not endorsed the *Common Principles* yet, please encourage it to do so. You will be helping to build stronger institutions!

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OTHER INFORMATION

- ♦ **Assembly App:** As part of the IPU's PaperSmart policy, an App is available which facilitates the online consultation of Assembly documents and provides access to Assembly-related information. It can be downloaded from the App Store on iOS devices and Play Store on Android (CrowdCompass AttendeeHub). Once downloaded, open the AttendeeHub app and enter "IPU 140 Assembly". Delegations that wish to post their brochure on the App should forward the file in pdf format (not more than 10MB) to sas@ipu.org.
- ♦ **Print-on-demand service:** This service is available until 10 April at the Typing Pool and Photocopying Service (Business Center) for those delegates who wish to obtain additional copies of any documents published on the IPU Assembly web page.
- ♦ **IPU Assemblies in your pocket:** This booklet, which provides an overview of IPU Assembly procedures, is available on the App and IPU Assembly web page in English, French, Spanish and Arabic.
- ♦ **List of Participants:** The final List of Participants will be published on the IPU website (www.ipu.org).
- ♦ **Results of the 140th Assembly and related meetings:** Delegations will receive one printed copy of the Results of the Assembly. Members of the IPU are reminded that the different sections of the Brochure may be accessed on the IPU website (www.ipu.org) and downloaded in PDF format two weeks after the close of the Assembly.
- ♦ **Summary records of the Assembly, the Governing Council and the four Standing Committees** will be made available before the next Assembly.
- ♦ **Activities for accompanying persons:** Tours and visits may be booked at the Qatar National Tourism Council desk located behind the concierge's desk in the Sheraton lobby. It is open between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.

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COMMUNICATIONS INFORMATION

- ♦ **Social media:** Follow or join in the discussions at the Assembly on social media.
On Twitter: [IPUparliament](https://twitter.com/IPUparliament) On Instagram: [ipu.parliament_official](https://www.instagram.com/ipu.parliament_official) On Facebook: [InterParliamentaryUnion](https://www.facebook.com/InterParliamentaryUnion)
Useful hashtags: #IPU140, #WomenMPs, #YoungMPs
- ♦ **Photos:** All official Assembly photographs will be uploaded on Flickr at regular times during the day: www.ipu.org/140pics. Please credit: Inter-Parliamentary Union.
- ♦ **Time for a selfie?** Come to the selfie box next to the Business Center.
- ♦ **Keep in touch!** Don't forget to fill in a "Keep in touch" form available from the IPU secretariat and subscribe to our newsletter on the web or the Assembly app.
- ♦ **Closing press conference (in the Media Center):** Today, Wednesday 10 April, 1.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m.
- ♦ **Media enquiries:** For any media enquiries, please contact Thomas Fitzsimons on tf@ipu.org or +41 79 854 31 53.

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VACANCIES TO BE FILLED AT THE 140th ASSEMBLY

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

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Today, 10 April 2019, the Governing Council will hold elections as outlined below.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Governing Council will be required to elect **one member** (female) for the African Group.

The following candidature has been received:

– Ms. A.D. Mergane (Senegal): candidature submitted by the African Group.

COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES

Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians

The Governing Council will be required to elect **one member** (to serve in an individual capacity), preferably from the Asia-Pacific Group.

The following candidature has been received:

– Mr. Kim Jong-seok (Republic of Korea): candidature submitted by the candidate.

Committee on Middle East Questions

The Governing Council will be required to elect **two members** (female).

The following candidatures have been received:

– Ms. M. Mokitimi (Lesotho) and Ms. A.P. Boateng (Ghana): candidatures submitted by the Africa Group;

– Ms. H. Martins (Portugal): candidature submitted by the Twelve Plus Group.

Group of Facilitators for Cyprus

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

The following candidature has been received:

– Ms. L. Quartapelle (Italy).

Committee to Promote Respect for International Humanitarian Law

The Governing Council will be required to elect **two members**: one member (female) for the Asia-Pacific Group; and one member (male) for the Eurasia Group.

The following candidatures have been received:

– Ms. F. Hoseini (Islamic Republic of Iran): candidature submitted by the Asia-Pacific Group;

– Mr. H. Hovhannisyan (Armenia): candidature submitted by the Eurasia Group.

High-level Advisory Group on Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism

The Governing Council will be required to elect **21 members**: five members (at least two female and two male) for the African Group; two members (one female and one male) for the Arab Group; four members (two female and two male) for the Asia-Pacific Group; two members (one female and one male) for the Eurasia Group; three members (at least one female and one male) for the Group of Latin America and the Caribbean (GRULAC); and five members (at least two female and two male) for the Twelve Plus Group.

The following candidatures have been received:

– Mr. T. Anicet (Burundi), Ms. J. Oduol (Kenya), Ms. M. Mensah Williams (Namibia) and Mr. O. Tinni (Niger): candidatures submitted by the African Group;

– Mr. A.A.-A. Sayed Ahmed (Egypt) and Ms. A.A. Al Qubaisi (United Arab Emirates): candidatures submitted by the Arab Group;

– Mr. G. Chen (China), Ms. A. Husin (Malaysia), Mr. K. Jalali (Islamic Republic of Iran) and Ms. S.J. Marri (Pakistan): candidatures submitted by the Asia-Pacific Group;

– Mr. J.F. Merino López (El Salvador), Ms. I. Passada (Uruguay) and Mr. V.V. Suárez Díaz (Dominican Republic): candidatures submitted by GRULAC;

– Mr. R. del Picchia (France), Ms. M. Kiener Nellen (Switzerland), Mr. R. Lopatka (Austria) and Mr. G. Migliore (Italy): candidatures submitted by the Twelve Plus Group.

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