Parliamentary involvement in the 2020 VNRs
Survey report main findings
VNRs rationale

General

• Best practices exchange
• Accountability mechanism
• National ownership of SDGs

IPU

• Parliamentary oversight
• Political will
ECE members

2020 (11)

- Austria
- Bulgaria
- Estonia
- Finland
- Georgia
- North Macedonia
- Moldova Rep.
- Russia Federation
- Slovenia
- Ukraine
- Uzbekistan

2021 (10)

- Azerbaijan
- Cyprus
- Czech Rep.
- Denmark
- Germany
- Norway
- San Marino
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden
Survey participation

- Completed IPU surveys: 45%
- No parliamentary response: 55%

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Inter-Parliamentary Union
Involvement of any kind (IPU + VNRs)

Yes: 58%
No: 42%

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Informed vs. consultation plan

Parliament was informed

Yes: 19
No: 7
NA: 0

Government provided a plan

Yes: 13
No: 12
NA: 1

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Stages of involvement

- **AFTER THE REPORT WAS FINALIZED**
  - Yes: 5
  - No: 21

- **DRAFTING STAGE**
  - Yes: 11
  - No: 15

- **BEFORE THE FIRST DRAFT**
  - Yes: 13
  - No: 13

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Actual input by any means

- No
- Yes

Yes: n=26
Input modalities

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2020 VNR survey
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2020 VNR survey
Agreement with government

The parliament's input was reflected in the VNR
The parliament agreed with the government's assessment

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Conclusions

From findings

• Improve quality and depth of engagement
• Governments leery to involve parliaments

From process

• Investigate discrepancies between Survey vs. VNR
• Aim participation rate to 100%
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