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142nd IPU ASSEMBLY

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Note on Remote Voting and Elections during the Governing Council

The 142nd IPU Assembly will be held during the week of 24 May 2021 in virtual format, including the Governing Council on 24, 25 and possibly 28 May if required. The Governing Council will be held under the Special Rules of Procedure to regulate the conduct of virtual sessions of the Governing Council, adopted in November 2020.

All decisions of the Governing Council shall be, as far as possible, adopted by consensus. If necessary, decisions can also be taken by remote voting.

Votes will be required to fill vacancies on the Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians and the Committee on Middle East Questions.

The procedure for remote voting will be essentially the same as for the election of the IPU President in November 2020. Votes will be cast by individual members of the Governing Council registered in accordance with the Special Rules of Procedure. The online voting platform will be managed by the same service provider as in November 2020, Civica Election Services, which has extensive experience in supporting elections in national and international settings.

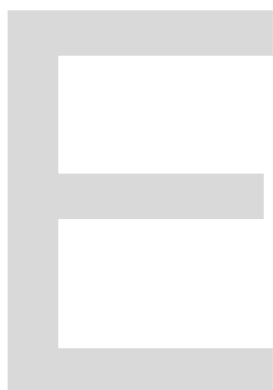
The voting window will open at the end of the sitting on 24 May. Members of the Governing Council will receive a message via their personal email address with a link to a secure online voting platform, where they will be able to cast their vote(s) at any time during an 18-hour voting window. Confirmation of the vote will be received by SMS where a mobile telephone number has been provided. The results of the votes will be announced at the sitting on 25 May.

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Important technical information

When the voting window opens, an e-mail will be sent to members of the Governing Council from IPUElections@CESvotes.com with the subject line "IPU – vote in the Governing Council".

Before the start of the Governing Council, please ensure that all members of the Governing Council have added IPUElections@CESvotes.com to the "white list" of safe addresses on their personal e-mail. If the member can not find the e-mail in their inbox, please check the "Junk" folder or spam filter.



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During the voting window, a Remote Voting hotline will be operated by Civica Election Services to help resolve any technical problems. To contact the Remote Voting hotline:

E-mail: IPUsupport@CESvotes.com in English, French or Spanish

Telephone:

English: +44 20 8829 8458

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Election to the Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians

The following nine candidatures have been received for six vacancies to be filled. In accordance with Rule 1.4 of the CHRP, which stipulates “there shall be no fewer than four members of either sex”, **at least two of the new members should be male parliamentarians and at least two of the new members should be female parliamentarians.**

Delegates can select up to **six candidates**. The six candidates who receive the highest number of votes, **bearing in mind the aforesaid requirement regarding gender parity**, will be elected.

Candidates are listed in the order in which their candidacy was received.

Name	Country
Ms. C. Urbano de Sousa	Portugal
Mr. S. Cogolati	Belgium
Mr. S. Spengemann	Canada
Ms. L. Quartapelle	Italy
Mr. F.A. Silva Facetti	Paraguay
Mr. B. Mbuku Laka	Democratic Republic of the Congo
Mr. H. Traoré	Mali
Ms. C. Asiain Pereira	Uruguay
Mr. Kim Yeat CHHIT	Cambodia

Election to the Committee on Middle East Questions

There are two vacancies to be filled. One new member should be a male parliamentarian, and one new member should be a female parliamentarian. Four candidatures were received, of which only one was from a female candidate, Ms. R. Kavakci Kan (Turkey). As such, she can be considered as elected unopposed.

The election will therefore be held for only one seat, to be filled by a male candidate. **The delegates can select one male candidate from the list below.** The candidate who receives the highest number of votes will be elected.

Candidates are listed in the order in which their candidacy was received.

Name	Country
Mr. M.E. Al-Sisi Al-Buainain	Bahrain
Mr. G. Migliore	Italy
Mr. M.O. Almheri	United Arab Emirates