



Parliamentary Meeting on the Occasion of the United Nations Climate Change Conference

Glasgow, 7 November 2021

Venue

- 1. The Parliamentary Meeting on the occasion of the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP26) is being organized jointly by the IPU and the British Group of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (BGIPU). The meeting will take place on 7 November 2021 in Glasgow.
- 2. The meeting venue will soon be confirmed.

Programme

- 3. The meeting will last one day Sunday, 7 November, from 09:00 to 18:00 GMT (Glasgow time).
- 4. The BGIPU is preparing an engaging programme which will include an update on the COP26 proceedings by the COP presidency, a presentation by a UNFCCC representative, an address by a keynote speaker, and panel and debate sessions. The meeting's detailed programme will be circulated and posted on the IPU website closer to the date of the venue.
- 5. Delegates' kits will not be provided. All documentation will be made available electronically through the IPU website.

Participation and registration

- 6. To ensure the meeting's success, it is of paramount importance that each parliament nominate parliamentarians who are directly involved in activities dealing with climate change issues.
- 7. Due to the venue's limited capacity, delegations should be limited to three delegates two parliamentarians and one member of staff, or three parliamentarians with no staff members. Parliaments are encouraged to nominate gender-balanced delegations.
- 8. All delegates should register online here: <u>https://registration.ipu.org/COP26ParlGlasgow</u>. The deadline for registration is 7 October 2021 and the IPU Secretariat should be informed as soon as possible of any modifications to a delegation's composition.
- 9. Please note that registration to the Parliamentary Meeting is completely separate from the accreditation to the UN Climate Change Conference. The latter is managed by the UNFCCC Secretariat. ID badges for the Parliamentary Meeting do not enable access to the COP26 premises. The IPU and BGIPU cannot facilitate accreditation to COP26. These matters should be dealt with by each delegation individually, as part of the overall accreditation procedure to the UN Climate Change Conference.
- 10. The Registration desk will be located at the entrance of the venue and will be open from 08:00 to 17:00 GMT (Glasgow) on 7 November. Delegates should present a formal photo ID in order to receive the conference badge. Badges will be prepared by the IPU Secretariat in advance of the meeting, based on registrations received.

List of delegates

11. A provisional list of delegates will be available at the beginning of the Parliamentary Meeting. The Registration desk should be notified of any changes to be made to the provisional list. The final list will be published on the IPU website after the meeting.

Working modalities

- 12. All agenda items will be addressed in plenary. The programme of the meeting will include a series of interactive panels and keynote presentations with leading international experts and officials from the United Nations and the UK COP26 presidency.
- 15. The format of the meeting is interactive. Delegates are therefore discouraged from reading formal statements. Instead, they are invited to ask questions and participate in the debate by making brief contributions and suggestions.
- 16. No formal list of speakers will be drawn up in advance of the meeting. The order of interventions and questions will be decided by the Chair.

Outcome document

- 17. At the end of its work, the Parliamentary Meeting at COP26 in Glasgow will adopt an outcome document. The preliminary draft of this document is on the <u>IPU website</u> and will be presented at the pre-COP26 meeting in Rome by the co-Rapporteurs Ms. Alessia Rotta, appointed by the Italian Parliament, and Mr. Alex Sobel, appointed by the BGIPU. Comments and observations received both in advance of and during the Rome meeting will be used by the co-Rapporteurs for the preparation of a revised draft to be posted on the IPU website soon after the Rome meeting.
- 18. During the closing sitting of the Parliamentary Meeting in Glasgow, the co-Rapporteurs will make an oral presentation of the outcome document with a view to its adoption by consensus.

Languages

19. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English and French. Official written documentation of the meeting will also be available in English and French.

Official receptions

- 21. The BGIPU will host a lunch for all participants which will be served on the meeting premises. Vegetarian options will be available. Tea, coffee, and water will also be served free of charge outside the meeting room.
- 22. The BGIPU will host an evening reception immediately after the meeting. Drinks and canapés will be served. The dress code will be business attire.

Visas

23. All delegates requiring an entry visa to the UK have must obtain one in advance of the meeting. The IPU and BGIPU cannot provide visa support for entry into the UK. These matters should be dealt with by each delegation individually.

Hotel accommodation

- 24. Delegates should make their own travel and accommodation arrangements.
- 25. Parliaments should note that accommodation in Glasgow is limited and are strongly encouraged to book rooms for their delegates as soon as possible.

COVID-19

- 26. The Parliamentary Meeting on the Occasion of COP26 is being organized by the BGIPU and the IPUP as an in-person meeting.
- 27. Please note that neither the BGIPU nor the IPU can facilitate COVID-19 vaccinations or COVID-19 related documents required for entry into the UK or transit countries.

Requests for further information

28. Please contact the IPU Secretariat at postbox@ipu.org for more information about the Parliamentary Meeting on the occasion of the UN Climate Change Conference in Glasgow.