Pre-COP26 Parliamentary Meeting

Palazzo Montecitorio, Italian Chamber of Deputies
Rome (Italy), 8–9 October 2021

Organized jointly by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and the Italian Parliament

PROGRAMME

Friday, 8 October

With the participation of the P20 Speakers

13:00 Arrival of participants (entrance: Piazza Montecitorio) - *All participants must have been previously tested for Covid and registered*

15:00–16:15 **OPENING CEREMONY**

*In the presence of the President of the Italian Republic, Sergio MATTARELLA*

- Mr. Roberto FICO, President of the Italian Chamber of Deputies
- Ms. Maria Elisabetta ALBERTI CASELLATI, President of the Italian Senate
- Mr. Duarte PACHECO, IPU President
- Mr. Pier Ferdinando CASINI, President of the Italian Group to the IPU and Honorary IPU President

Keynote speakers on the theme “Global ambitions to counter climate change”

- Mr. Giorgio PARISI, 2021 Physics Nobel Prize laureate
- Ms. Nancy PELOSI, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States of America
- Mr. Luigi DI MAIO, Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation

16:15–16:30 Break
16:30–18:00  **SESSION 1: GREEN APPROACHES TO COVID-19 RECOVERY**

Moderator

- Mr. John Francis MCFALL OF ALCLUITH, Lord Speaker of the British House of Lords

Keynote speakers

- Ms. Maria NEIRA, Director, Department of Public Health, Environment and Social Determinants of Health, WHO
- Mr. Ajay MATHUR, Director General, International Solar Alliance (*remote*)
- Mr. Bruno POZZI, Director, United Nations Environment Programme Office for Europe

Debate

18:00-19:30  **SESSION 2: THE STATE OF COP26 NEGOTIATIONS**

Moderator

- Mr. Roberto FICO, President of the Italian Chamber of Deputies

Keynote speakers

- Mr. Roberto CINGOLANI, Minister for Ecological Transition, Italy
- Mr. Selwin HART, Special Adviser to the United Nations Secretary-General on Climate Action and Assistant Secretary-General for the Climate Action Team (*remote*)

Debate

Inspirational talks

- Two youth leaders reporting on the conclusions and proposals of the 2021 Milan meeting "Youth4Climate: Driving Ambition":
  - Ms. Federica GASBARRO
  - Mr. Daniele GUADAGNOLO

19:30  End of the session

20:00  Transfer to the National Gallery of Modern Art – Visit of the exhibition *Cosmowomen. Places as Constellations*, and dinner hosted by the Italian Parliament (*Members of Parliament only*)

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**Saturday, 9 October**

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11:30-12:30 Audience of the Holy Father Francis

12:45 Transfer to Palazzo Montecitorio

13:00 Light Lunch

14:00-15:30 **SESSION 3: FUNDING GLOBAL POLICIES FOR CLIMATE**

Moderator

- Mr. Lindsay HOYLE, Speaker of the British House of Commons

Keynote speaker

- Ms. Laurence MAILLART-MÉHAIGNERIE, Chair of the Committee on Sustainable Development and Land Management of the French National Assembly

- Ms. Vera SONGWE, United Nations Under-Secretary-General Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa of the United Nations

Debate

15:30-17:00 **SESSION 4: PARLIAMENTARY CONTRIBUTION TO ACHIEVING COP26 GOALS**

Moderator

- Mr. Roberto FICO, President of the Italian Chamber of Deputies

Keynote speakers

- Mr. Juan Antonio LÓPEZ DE URALENDE GARMENDIA, Chair of the Committee on Ecological Transition and Demographic Challenge of Spain’s Congress of Deputies

- Ms. Munaza HASSAN, Chair of the Climate Change Committee of the National Assembly of Pakistan

Debate

17:00-17:30 **Adoption of the Revised draft outcome document**

- Ms. Alessia ROTTA, Chair of the Environment Committee of Italy’s Chamber of Deputies, Pre-COP26 Parliamentary Meeting co-Rapporteur

- Mr. Alex SOBEL, Member of the House of Commons, UK, Pre-COP26 Parliamentary Meeting co-Rapporteur
Closing remarks

- Mr. Martin CHUNGONG, IPU Secretary General
- Mr. Duarte PACHECO, IPU President
- Ms. Maria Elisabetta ALBERTI CASELLATI, President of the Italian Senate
- Mr. Roberto FICO, President of the Italian Chamber of Deputies

End of the Meeting

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