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## Organization of the General Debate

### *Contemporary challenges to democracy: Overcoming division and building community*

As per the Assembly Rules, *two representatives of each delegation may speak during the General Debate. They shall share the speaking time as they deem fit. An additional MP from each delegation may address the General Debate, provided he/she is a young parliamentarian.*

As such, the speaking time allocated to delegations will be as follows:

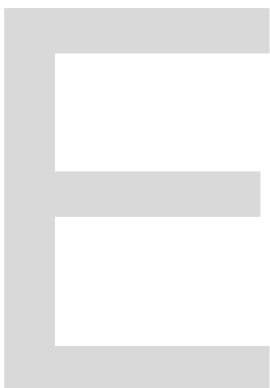
1. Delegations led by Speakers of Parliament – 7 minutes
2. Other delegations (Member Parliaments and Associate Members) – 6 minutes
3. Young parliamentarians – 2 minutes
4. Permanent observers – 3 minutes

Delegations wishing to take the floor in the General Debate have been invited to send in the speakers' pre-registration form available on the following link: <https://www.ipu.org/file/12819/download>. Members may also register on the spot at the dedicated desk at the Assembly venue. As per established practice, the order of speakers will be determined by a public drawing of lots at 17:00 on Friday, 26 November 2021.

Members who cannot attend the in-person Assembly in Madrid are invited to submit written statements or brief video messages (not more than 3 minutes) on the overall theme of the General Debate. These will be posted and will form part of the official records of the Assembly.

Technical specifications for the videos, which should be submitted by 20 November to [press@ipu.org](mailto:press@ipu.org):

- MP4 format
- Recorded in one of the Assembly working languages: Arabic, English, French or Spanish
- Subtitled in English and/or French where possible
- Recommended format is 16:9 ratio with 1920 x 1080 resolution
- For best results, film headshots with a neutral or unfocused background.



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