BACKGROUND

The IPU’s annual Global Conferences of Young Parliamentarians are unique platforms for young members of parliaments to get together, exchange, learn and define common and innovative strategies to advance youth empowerment. Since 2014, the Global Conferences have focused on youth empowerment and have provided policy orientation in areas such as political participation, peace and prosperity, the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), social and economic inclusion, education, employment, well-being, and the recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. This Conference will continue the objective of empowering young parliamentarians and youth, this time on the topic of climate action.

VENUE AND DATE

The Eighth IPU Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians will take place on 15 and 16 June 2022 at the Tonino Lamborghini International Convention Center, in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt.

PARTICIPATION

The Conference is open to young members of national parliaments under 45 years of age. Parliaments are invited to send a gender-balanced delegation of a maximum of four members and are encouraged to include their youngest members in their delegation. Parliamentary staff members may also attend.

IPU Associate Members and Observers that work on youth-related matters are also invited to take part in the Conference, as are select international and regional youth associations, organizations and parliaments.

ORGANIZATION OF PROCEEDINGS

In keeping with standard IPU practice, all delegates will have equal speaking rights. In order to ensure that the discussions are as vibrant and dynamic as possible, the following rules will apply:

- There will be no list of speakers on any agenda item.
- Participants are asked to not read out prepared statements, but rather to engage naturally in lively discussions. Subject to arrangements that the Chairs of sessions may make depending on the circumstances, oral contributions may not exceed three minutes. Participants may speak several times on each item, particularly to respond to other statements.
- The Conference sessions will include presentations by experts and resource persons, debates and interactive discussion panels in moderated plenary sessions.
- Two Rapporteurs will sum up the work of the Conference at its concluding session.
DOCUMENTS

Participants will receive the written texts of the presentations by the resource persons as they become available. Documents will be distributed in English and French.

For the background information of participants, the IPU Secretariat will, as far as possible, make background documentation available about the issues under discussion.

Participants wishing to distribute relevant documents to their colleagues will be required to provide them in sufficient quantities and to bring them to the meeting room.

LANGUAGES

English and French are the official working languages of the IPU. Simultaneous interpretation will be available into and from Arabic, English, French and Spanish.

A number of additional interpretation booths will be available for those national delegations that wish to bring their own team of interpreters. These will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis. Requests for an additional simultaneous interpretation booth should be made to the secretariat of the host parliament.

REGISTRATION

The parliaments and organizations invited to the Global Conference are requested to register their participants online no later than 27 May 2022 at the following link: https://registration.ipu.org/d/28qvlb/. Registrations made after this date will not be accepted. For any questions, the contact information for the IPU and the Egyptian House of Representatives can be found below:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Inter-Parliamentary Union</th>
<th>Egyptian House of Representatives</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>5, Chemin du Pommier</td>
<td>The Technical Office of International Parliamentary Conferences</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Case postale 330</td>
<td>1 Majlis El-Shab St., Cairo, Egypt</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1218 Grand-Saconnex – GENEVA</td>
<td>Email: <a href="mailto:caffa_parliament@hotmail.com">caffa_parliament@hotmail.com</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Switzerland</td>
<td>Tel.: +20227931202</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Email: <a href="mailto:postbox@ipu.org">postbox@ipu.org</a></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tel.: +41 22 919 41 50</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

VISAS

For entry into Egypt, all Conference participants must have a passport valid for at least six months following the arrival date. Participants may also require a valid visa. Consult the list of countries that have online arrangements with Egypt at [www.visa2egypt.gov.eg](http://www.visa2egypt.gov.eg). For more relevant details and procedures related to your particular country, including if your country does not benefit from this online service, please contact the nearest Egyptian diplomatic or consular Mission.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION AND FLIGHTS

Delegates will bear the costs of their air travel, accommodation and subsistence. The following are the hotels designated to service delegates to the Conference of Young Parliamentarians:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Hotel name</th>
<th>Single rooms</th>
<th>Double rooms</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Hilton Sharks Bay</td>
<td>90</td>
<td>100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Park Regency</td>
<td>170</td>
<td>180</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rixos Seagate</td>
<td>370</td>
<td>420</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
1. Rates are in USD per room per night.
2. Rates are on a half-board basis in standard rooms.
3. Rates include all taxes.
4. LUCKY TOURS will serve as the official Conference travel agency managing hotel stay and local transportation. It will provide transportation only to and from the above hotels.
5. To reserve your rooms, please email: sharm@lucky-tours.com.
6. Payments for the hotel shall be made to LUCKY TOURS (SWIFT copy to be sent by email). Payment should be arranged by email and can be made by credit card in advance with a one-night fee held from the credit card. Payments can also be made via bank transfer. The bank details are as follows
   CIB BANK   ACCOUNT NUMBER: 100048083085
   ADDRESS: 34 ABDEL KHALEK SARWAT STREET, CAIRO, EGYPT
   SWIFT CODE: CIBEEGCX
   IBAN: EG47001000050000100048083085
7. LUCKY TOURS will assist all attendees for any extra needs or excursions.
8. It is of utmost importance to send flight details to LUCKY TOURS via e-mail sharm@lucky-tours.com so that local transportation is organized from the airports to the hotels of delegations.

Delegates should make their reservations directly with LUCKY TOURS, the official Conference travel agency, via the email address above and mentioning the Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians in order to be eligible for the negotiated accommodation rates.

Requests for hotel reservations will be dealt with on a first-come, first-served basis. Delegates are encouraged to make their reservations as soon as possible.

Delegates are responsible for covering the cost of their accommodation, which is payable directly to LUCKY TOURS, the official Conference travel agency.

FLIGHTS

Delegates are responsible for all air travel arrangements and shall cover all related costs.

EGYPTAIR the national airline offers the below:
1. 20% Discount on round trip flight from EGYPTAIR network to Sharm El- Sheikh.
2. 1 free change reservation on your return flight.
Steps to benefit from the offer:
- Then enter given username & password provided below proceed with your booking.
- Make sure that you selected Egypt in the Country list to pay in Egyptian pound or Worldwide in the Country list to pay in US Dollars.
- The fare that will be displayed is the total fare for your flight after discount.
- Please make sure that your destination is Sharm El- Sheikh (SSH).
- Discounted travel period: from 10 June till 20 June 2022 (Whole trip to be completed by 20 June).

To pay your ticket in USD, please use the following usernames and passwords:

**Worldwide login:**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>UserName</th>
<th>Password</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>yparW.W#1</td>
<td>0Vr_2Hc2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>yparW.W#2</td>
<td>3Yd_3Cd7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>yparW.W#3</td>
<td>5Cm_1Dc3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>yparW.W#4</td>
<td>0Xj_3Qg3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>yparW.W#5</td>
<td>6Qj#4Ya8</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
INFORMATION DESK AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The Egyptian House of Representatives will run an information desk at Sharm el-Sheikh Airport and in the above designated hotels during the following hours.
- 14 June, from 09:00 to 19:00
- 15 June, from 09:00 to 19:00
- 16 June, from 09:00 to 19:00
Badges can be collected at the Tonino Lamborghini International Conference Center as of 14 June.

LOCAL TRANSPORT

Upon arrival delegates will be welcomed by staff upon exiting the plane. The Egyptian Secretariat will provide delegates with ground transfers between the airport and the designated hotel.

Please send flight details with the hotel reservation to LUKCY TOURS at: sharm@Lucky-tours.com.

This service does not include a private car and driver. If you wish to make such arrangements, you may do so at your own expense.

The Egyptian Secretariat will provide transportation between the above hotels and the Conference venue.

LUNCH

Light meals for lunch will be made available for purchase by delegates at the Conference Center.

RECEPTION

A gala dinner will take place on 15 June, starting at 18:30. It will take place in the desert, dress code will be casual. More details will follow in due course.

HEALTH AND MEDICAL INFORMATION

Health and medical information, including with regard to the COVID-19 pandemic, will be shared in due course.

SECURITY

All necessary security measures will be taken. Participants are requested to wear their ID badges in a visible manner at all times during official programme events. All lost badges must be reported as soon as possible to the information and registration desk of the Egyptian House of Representatives.

CLIMATE

The average minimum temperature in Sharm el-Sheikh in June is 32°C, with an average daytime high of 35°C.

CURRENCY REGULATIONS

Foreign currency may only be exchanged at the airport, hotel and nearby banks. Major credit cards are accepted in hotels and most shops.

The official currency in Egypt is the Egyptian Pound (EGP). The rate is approximately 18.45 EGP to 1 US dollar.

OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

- Time zone: Local time in Sharm el-Sheikh is GMT +2 hours.
- Electricity: The electrical supply is 220 Volts. Electrical sockets (outlets) used in Egypt are type C and F (European standard).
- Telephone: Country code +20.
  - International calls from Sharm el-Sheikh: 00 + country code + city code + number.
  - Egyptian Emergency and Operative Response Center (Police, Fire/Rescue & Ambulance) – Tel.: 122