



14 September 2022

Dear Madam Speaker,
Dear Mr. Speaker,

We are pleased to invite your Parliament to the Parliamentary Meeting to be held on the occasion of the 27th session of the Conference of the Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP27), on 13 November 2022 in Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt. The meeting is being jointly organized by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and the Egyptian House of Representatives.

The annual COP conference is the most important international gathering on climate change. It convenes leaders, policymakers, scientists and civil society from around the globe to identify joint solutions to advance climate action. For over a decade, the IPU has been organizing parliamentary meetings at the COP to strengthen the role of parliaments in international dialogues and processes on climate change.

The Parliamentary Meeting at COP27 will occur at a time when the climate crisis is more urgent than ever. The meeting will bring together the world's parliaments and provide a platform to address key climate issues including emissions reductions, scaling-up adaptation efforts and mobilizing climate finance for developing countries that are on the front lines of climate change. The meeting will facilitate dialogue on the climate crisis among the global parliamentary community with the aim of identifying inter-parliamentary solutions for a more sustainable world.

Each parliament may send a delegation with a maximum of five parliamentarians and four parliamentary staff. Parliaments are encouraged to nominate parliamentarians who work directly on climate and environment-related topics. Parliaments are also invited to ensure that there is a gender balance in their delegations. Interpretation at the meeting will be provided in English, French, Spanish and Arabic.

The draft programme and other relevant documents will soon be made available on the IPU website: <https://www.ipu.org/events/current-and-future-events>. Registration for the event is available at the following link: <https://registration.ipu.org/COP27>. The registration deadline is **28 October 2022**.

The IPU and the Egyptian House of Representatives are unable to facilitate accreditation to COP27 or to assist with any logistical arrangements, including visa support for entry into Egypt, accommodation or transportation. Those matters are to be handled by delegations individually. When possible, delegates to the Parliamentary Meeting are encouraged to travel to Egypt as members of official national delegations to COP27 to simplify logistical matters.

We sincerely hope that members of your parliament will take part in the upcoming Parliamentary Meeting at COP27 in Sharm El-Sheikh.

Yours sincerely,

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