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Special accountability segment of the General Debate: Follow-up by Members to advance IPU climate action

Tuesday, 14 March 2023, 16:00 – 17:30
Grand Hall, ground floor, EWB

Concept note

Addressing the climate crisis is a top priority for the IPU. During the General Debate's special accountability segment, in line with the IPU Strategy's focus on climate change and accountability at all levels, and underscored by the launch of the new IPU campaign, *Parliaments for the Planet*, delegations are invited to contribute to the segment with brief interventions (maximum three minutes) on how they are turning words into action to tackle climate change.

Photos and short video recordings of climate change-related activities organized by parliaments are also most welcome and will be screened during the special session. As the IPU continues to expand its work on climate change, efforts will be made to further showcase these activities to inspire action and encourage inter-parliamentary knowledge-sharing on climate change.

During the special segment, Members are encouraged to share the concrete steps they have taken to support climate action, for example in relation to:

- Strengthening climate legislation to reduce emissions and support a clean energy transition
- Ensuring appropriate budgets for climate action
- Holding governments accountable on Paris Agreement implementation, including on the nationally determined contributions (NDCs)
- Supporting marginalized and vulnerable populations and promoting inclusive adaptation
- Promoting a green parliament.

Members may also wish to report on good practices and activities they have undertaken in follow-up to IPU decisions on climate change, including:

- (a) The Nusa Dua Declaration: [Getting to zero: Mobilizing parliaments to act on climate change](#) (144th IPU Assembly, Nusa Dua, 24 March 2022)
- (b) Outcome document of the [Parliamentary meeting on the occasion of the 27th session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change \(COP27\)](#) (Sharm El-Sheikh, 13 November 2022)
- (c) Outcome document of the [Parliamentary meeting on the occasion of the United Nations Climate Change Conference \(COP26\)](#) (Glasgow, 7 November 2021)
- (d) Resolution: [Parliamentary strategies to strengthen peace and security against threats and conflicts resulting from climate-related disasters and their consequence](#) (142nd IPU Assembly, Virtual session, 27 May 2021)
- (e) Resolution: [Addressing climate change](#) (141st IPU Assembly, Belgrade, 16 October 2019)

Delegations are invited to pre-register for this segment by emailing documents@ipu.org.

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