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To all IPU Groups

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Dear Madam President,
Dear Mr. President,

I am pleased to invite your parliament to participate in an online presentation of the new *Indicators for Democratic Parliaments*. The Indicators are a multi-partner initiative led by the IPU in partnership with the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA), Directorio Legislativo Foundation, Inter Pares / International IDEA, National Democratic Institute (NDI), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), UN Women and Westminster Foundation for Democracy (WFD).

The *Indicators* provide a framework for parliaments to self-assess their capacity and performance. They support parliament's learning and development by raising key questions about the effectiveness, accountability, transparency and other characteristics of parliament.

Our ambition is for the *Indicators* to become a common tool for the parliamentary community that is widely used by parliaments to identify priorities for strengthening their institution.

The *Indicators* can be viewed, explored and downloaded in English, French and Spanish at www.parliamentaryindicators.org. The website also provides detailed guidance to how to carry out an assessment, as well as case studies and online resources.

The online presentation will provide more information about the *Indicators* and how they have been used by parliaments until now. This event is likely to be of interest to parliamentarians and senior members of the parliamentary administration with responsibility for the effective functioning of the institution.

Details of the online presentation and how to register are available on the [IPU website](http://www.ipu.org). The event is repeated on successive days (21 November, 10:00 CET, and 22 November, 16:00 CET) so participants can join the session that is most convenient for them.

The IPU and partners stand ready to support parliaments that wish to use the *Indicators* to help strengthen their institution. For more information, please contact Irena Mijanovic at standards@ipu.org.

Yours sincerely,

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