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**JOURNAL**  
**DAY 2, Monday 14 October 2024**



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## Highlights of the day

**Jamaica becomes the 181st IPU Member,  
10:45, Governing Council**

**Start of the General Debate  
with Bertrand Piccard, 11:00, Assembly**

Time	Meeting	Place
08:00 – 09:00	<b>Assembly Steering Committee</b> <i>(closed session)</i>	Salon VIP Level 3 – CIG
09:00 – 10:30	<b>Workshop</b> <i>Practical tools to achieve sustainable development</i>	Salle Genève CCV Annexe
09:00 – 11:00	<b>Governing Council</b>	Amphitheatre D Level 1 – CIG
09:00 – 13:00	<b>Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights</b> - Debate on the draft resolution	Plenary B&C Level 0 – CIG
09:30 – 11:00	<b>Board of the Forum of Young Parliamentarians</b> <i>(closed meeting)</i>	Salle Lausanne, CCV Annexe
09:30 – 13:00	<b>Standing Committee on Peace and International Security</b> - Panel discussion: <i>The role of parliamentarians in preventing conflicts over natural resources</i> - Panel discussion: <i>The role of parliamentarians in nuclear security</i>	Plenary A Level 0 – CIG
11:00 – 12:30	<b>ASGP meeting</b>	Plenary E&F Level 3 – CIG
11:00 – 13:00	<b>Assembly</b> <b>General Debate</b> <b><i>Harnessing science, technology and innovation (STI) for a more peaceful and sustainable future</i></b> - Opening remarks - High-level segment for Speakers of Parliament	Amphitheatre D Level 1 – CIG
11:30 – 13:00	<b>Bureau of the Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs</b> <i>(closed session)</i>	Salle 4 Level -1 – CIG
11:30 – 13:00	<b>Panel discussion</b> <i>Common Principles: Parliamentary development as a defence to democratic backsliding</i>	Salle Genève CCV Annexe
11:30 – 13:00	<b>Bureau of the Standing Committee on Sustainable Development</b> <i>(closed session)</i>	Salle Lausanne CCV Annexe
14:30 – 16:00	<b>Workshop</b> <i>Parliamentary Leadership in Disarmament: Preventing and alleviating human suffering caused by weapon proliferation</i>	Salle Genève CCV Annexe
14:30 – 17:30	<b>ASGP meeting</b>	Plenary E&F Level 3 – CIG
14:30 – 17:30	<b>Committee on Middle East Questions</b> <i>(closed session)</i>	Salle 4 Level -1 – CIG
14:30 – 17:30	<b>Forum of Young Parliamentarians</b>	Plenary A Level 0 – CIG
14:30 – 17:30	<b>Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights</b> - Drafting in plenary of the draft resolution	Plenary B&C Level 0 – CIG
14:30 – 18:00	<b>Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians</b> <i>(closed session)</i>	Salle Lausanne CCV Annexe
14:30 – 18:30	<b>Assembly:</b> Continuation of the General Debate - High-level segment for Speakers	Amphitheatre D Level 1 – CIG
18:30	<b>Reception offered by Switzerland</b>	Espace Violeta Parra Level 1 – CIG

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Assembly – Seating information

The setup of the Plenary Hall cannot be modified and, due to high attendance at the 149th Assembly, seating is limited. Therefore, each delegation has been allocated sufficient seats for its Governing Council members (maximum three). For those delegations from countries with a population of more than 100 million inhabitants an additional seat has been allocated and, where possible, delegations led by Speakers also have an additional seat.

Observer delegations will not have assigned individual seating, but may sit in the Observers area, towards the back of the Hall.

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## SOCIAL EVENTS

### Monday, 14 October 2024

High-Level Luncheon for Speakers of Parliament (by invitation only)

Venue : Espace Riviera, CCV (Annexe building)  
Time : 13:15 – 14:30

### Monday, 14 October 2024

Cocktail reception offered by Switzerland

Venue : Espace Violeta Parra, Level 1, CICG  
Time : 18:30 – 20:30

## OTHER EVENTS\*

\* *Events not part of the official programme, under the sole responsibility of the organizers.*

### Monday, 14 October 2024

13:15 – 14:15 **Meeting of the Group of Small Island Developing States** (*closed session*)  
*Salle Genève (CCV)*

### Tuesday, 15 October 2024

13:00 – 13:45 **IPNEd – Parliamentary engagement to create, expand and improve school meals programmes**  
Launch of a toolkit for MPs published by the International Parliamentary Network for Education in partnership with the World Food Programme, for the School Meals Coalition.  
*Plenary B&C*

### Wednesday, 16 October 2024

13:00 – 14:15 **Twelve Plus event: Information session on the situation in Ukraine**  
*Plenary E&F*

### Thursday, 17 October 2024

13:00 – 14:00 **A Piece of Grain – Side Event organized by Türkiye**  
Presentation of film based on the life of Turkish MP Serkan Bayram highlighting the empowerment of persons with disability  
*Salle Lausanne (CCV)*

## COMMUNICATIONS AND PRESS

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### Interviews

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