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Vacancies to be filled during the 149th Assembly

All candidatures need to be accompanied by a signed covering letter and a brief curriculum vitae (one page maximum) specifying Committee membership in parliament and familiarity with the issues covered by the IPU body for which a seat is being sought, as well as a photo and completed contact information form (see [Annex](#)).

*In keeping with the provisions of the IPU Statutes and Rules, candidates should have experience and expertise, as far as possible, in the relevant areas of work, and they should be supported by their respective Parliament in carrying out their functions as IPU office holders (**including in terms of being included on the national delegation to IPU Assemblies and other relevant events**). Every effort should also be made to include young MPs and encourage candidatures from new Members of the IPU as well as from parliaments that do not hold other offices in the IPU.*

Candidatures may be submitted by email to: postbox@ipu.org or in person at the Assembly to the Documents Control Service.

Executive Committee

On 17 October 2024, the Governing Council will elect **one member**, as follows:

Group of Latin America and the Caribbean : One vacancy, to be filled by a woman¹, to replace Ms. B. Argimón (Uruguay) whose mandate ends at the 214th session of the Governing Council

Candidatures from the geopolitical group concerned may be submitted up to 09:00 on Wednesday, 16 October 2024.

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¹ Groups with 4 seats will include an equal number of men and women;
Groups with 3 seats will include at least one man and one woman;
Groups with 2 seats will include an equal number of men and women;
Groups with 1 seat will ensure that the seat is held at least by a man and a woman over three terms.

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COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES

Standing Committee Bureaux

The Standing Committees will hold the following elections:

Standing Committee on Peace and International Security

There is **one vacancy** to be filled by the following geopolitical group:

- Asia-Pacific Group** : One vacancy, to be filled by a man or a woman, to replace Mr. M. Rezakhah (Islamic Republic of Iran), who is no longer a Member of Parliament.

The Standing Committee will also elect a new Vice-President from among the members of the Bureau, to complete the term of Mr. M. Rezakhah (Islamic Republic of Iran). As per the agreed rotation of positions between the geopolitical groups, the new Vice-President should be a man from the Asia-Pacific Group. The new Vice-President will complete the current two-year term of office which will expire at the end of the IPU Assembly in October 2025.

Standing Committee on Sustainable Development

There is **one vacancy** to be filled by the following geopolitical group:

- Arab Group** : One vacancy, to be filled by a man or a woman, to replace Mr. H. Al Matar (Kuwait), due to the fact that the Kuwaiti Parliament has been dissolved.

The Bureau member from the Russian Federation, Mr. S. Gavrilov, is completing his first two-year term and is eligible for re-election for a second term.

Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights

There are **two vacancies** to be filled by the following geopolitical groups:

- African Group** : One vacancy, to be filled by a man, to replace Mr. E. Uwizeyimana (Rwanda), whose seat was declared vacant at the 148th Assembly.
- Asia-Pacific Group** : One vacancy, to be filled by a woman, to replace Ms. J. Mahmood (Maldives), who is no longer a Member of Parliament.

The Standing Committee will also elect a new President from among the members of the Bureau, to complete the term of Ms. J. Mahmood (Maldives). As per the agreed rotation of positions between the geopolitical groups, the new President should be a woman from the Asia-Pacific Group. The term of the new President will expire at the end of the IPU Assembly in October 2025.

Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs

There are **five vacancies** to be filled by the following geopolitical groups:

- Arab Group** : One vacancy, to be filled by a man or a woman, to replace Mr. M. Alajmi (Kuwait), due to the fact that the Kuwaiti Parliament has been dissolved.
- Asia-Pacific Group** : One vacancy, to replace Ms. D. Kumari (India), who is no longer a Member of Parliament. The Indian Parliament has indicated its interest in designating a replacement for the remainder of the term, pending the approval of the Asia-Pacific Group.

- Eurasia Group** : Two vacancies, to be filled by at least one woman, to replace Mr. A. Savinykh (Belarus), who is no longer a Member of Parliament and Ms. E. Qatrawi (Republic of Moldova).
- Twelve-Plus Group** : One vacancy, to be filled by a man or a woman, to replace Mr. R. Lopatka (Austria), who is no longer a Member of Parliament.

The Bureau member from Peru, Mr. E. Bustamante, is completing her first two-year term and is eligible for re-election for a second term.

Candidatures from the geopolitical groups concerned may be submitted up to 19:00 on Tuesday, 15 October 2024.

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In accordance with the Rules of the Standing Committees:

- Members of the Bureau shall be elected for a term of two years and may be re-elected for a further period of two years.
- When a member of the Bureau has served for four consecutive years, two years must elapse before that person may again be elected to the same Bureau.
- Representatives of the same Member Parliament shall not simultaneously hold more than one post as President or Vice-President of a Standing Committee, or hold a post in the same body for more than four consecutive years.
- Members of a Bureau who are absent for two consecutive sessions, without a valid reason, may lose their seat on the Bureau by a decision of the corresponding Committee. In such cases, a new election will be held at the next session of the Standing Committee to fill the respective vacancy.

Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians

On 17 October 2024, the Governing Council will elect **three members** to replace Mr. S. Cogolati (Belgium) and Mr. M. Hussain Sayed (Pakistan), who are no longer Members of Parliament, and Ms. A. Reynoso (Mexico) whose term of office ends at the 214th session of the Governing Council.

Please note that, although the composition of this Committee should reflect an equitable geopolitical distribution of seats, **members of the Committee are elected in their individual capacity on the basis of their competence, commitment to human rights and availability, and not as representatives of their Parliament or geopolitical group.**

According to its rules, the Committee as a whole should be gender-balanced and in principle comprise five men and five women. In any case, there shall be no fewer than four members of either sex. The Committee should also reflect an equitable geopolitical distribution of seats.

Parliamentarians wishing to become members of this Committee are required to meet a set of distinct criteria. Candidates are therefore requested to complete the [form available on the IPU website](#). Candidatures may be submitted up to 09:00 on Wednesday, 16 October 2024.

Bureau of Women Parliamentarians

On 13 October 2024, the Forum of Women Parliamentarians will elect three members to fill the following vacancies in the Bureau of Women Parliamentarians:

- One regional representative for the **Arab Group** (end of term: March 2027), to replace Ms. J.M. Ramadan (Kuwait), due to the fact that the Kuwaiti Parliament has been dissolved.
- One regional representative for the **Asia-Pacific Group** (end of term: March 2027), to replace Ms. S. Sirivejchapun (Thailand), who is no longer a Member of Parliament.
- One regional representative for the **Eurasia Group** (end of term: March 2025), to replace Ms. M. Vasilevich (Belarus), who is no longer a Member of Parliament.

Candidatures from the geopolitical groups concerned may be submitted up to 12 noon on Saturday, 12 October 2024.

Board of the Forum of Young Parliamentarians of the IPU

On 14 October 2024, the Forum will elect one member to fill the following vacancy on the Board of the Forum of Young Parliamentarians:

- Asia Pacific Group** : One vacancy, to be filled by a woman to replace Ms. Dyah Roro Esti (Indonesia) who will no longer be a Member of Parliament as of 1 October 2024.

According to Rule 5.3 of the Forum's Rules and working modalities: "The Board shall be composed of two representatives from each of the IPU geopolitical groups, a man and a woman", below the age of 45 years.

Candidatures from the geopolitical group concerned may be submitted up to 18:00 on Sunday, 13 October 2024.

Committee to Promote Respect for International Humanitarian Law

On 17 October 2024, the Governing Council will elect **two members**, as follows:

- Eurasia Group** : One vacancy, to be filled by a man, to replace Mr. E. Sinchevici (Republic of Moldova), for the seat that was not filled at the 213th session of the Governing Council
- African Group** : One vacancy, to be filled by a woman, to replace Ms. F. Muyumba (Democratic Republic of Congo), who is no longer a Member of Parliament

Candidatures from the geopolitical group concerned may be submitted up to 09:00 on Wednesday, 16 October 2024.

Group of Facilitators for Cyprus

On 17 October 2024, the Governing Council will elect **one Facilitator** to replace Mr. S. Cogolati (Belgium), who is no longer a Member of Parliament.

Candidatures may be submitted up to 09:00 on Wednesday, 16 October 2024.

High-Level Advisory Group on Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism

On 17 October 2024, the Governing Council will elect **six members**, as follows:

- Arab Group** : One vacancy, to be filled by a woman, to replace Ms. L. Mohsin Haider Al Zaabi (Oman) who is no longer a Member of Parliament.
- Asia-Pacific Group** : Three vacancies, to be filled by at least two women, for the seat that was not filled at the 213th session of the Governing Council and to replace Ms. S. Ambareesh (India) and Mr. A. Suwanmongkol (Thailand) who are no longer Members of Parliament.
- Eurasia Group** : One vacancy, to be filled by a woman, for a seat that was not filled at the 212th session of the Governing Council.
- Twelve-Plus Group** : One vacancy, to be filled by a man or a woman, to replace Mr. D. Danon (Israel), who is no longer a Member of Parliament.

Candidatures from the geopolitical groups concerned may be submitted up to 09:00 on Wednesday, 16 October 2024.

Working Group on Science and Technology

On 17 October 2024, the Governing Council will elect **three members**, as follows:

- African Group** : One vacancy, to be filled by a man, to replace Mr. R.B.O. Tovondray (Madagascar), who is no longer a Member of Parliament.
- Asia-Pacific Group** : One vacancy, to be filled by a woman, to replace Ms. H. Vijaykumar Gawit (India), who is no longer a Member of Parliament, and one vacancy to be filled by a man to replace Mr. E.K. Tontisirin (Thailand), who is no longer a Member of Parliament.

Candidatures from the geopolitical groups concerned may be submitted up to 09:00 on Wednesday, 16 October 2024.

Appointment of two Internal Auditors for the 2025 accounts

On 17 October 2024, the Governing Council will appoint **two Internal Auditors** for the 2025 fiscal year. They will be expected to present their report to the Governing Council at its first statutory session in 2026. Parliamentarians interested in submitting their candidature for this position should preferably have prior experience in either a parliamentary finance or audit committee.

Candidatures may be submitted up to 09:00 on Wednesday, 16 October 2024.

Preparatory Committee for the Sixth World Conference of Speakers of Parliament (July 2025)

On 17 October 2024, the Governing Council will be invited to endorse the nomination of up to **seven additional members**, as follows:

- African Group** : One vacancy, to be filled by a woman Speaker.
- Asia-Pacific Group** : Two vacancies, to be filled by women Speakers.
- Group of Latin America and the Caribbean** : One vacancy to be filled by a woman Speaker.
- Twelve Plus Group** : Three vacancies, to be filled by at least one man and one woman Speaker.



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Annex

Contact information for candidate applying to vacancies on IPU Committees and other bodies

PLEASE COMPLETE ONE FORM FOR EACH CANDIDATE
PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Title of Committee or other body	
Candidate's details	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ms. <input type="checkbox"/> Mr.	First name
	Last name
Year of birth	
Name of Parliament	
Country	
<input type="checkbox"/> Member of parliament (lower chamber)	<input type="checkbox"/> Senator (upper chamber)
Email addresses Candidatures will only be accepted with a personal email contact.	
Candidate's primary personal email address	
Candidate's secondary email address (personal assistant or parliamentary aide)	
Phone numbers (including country code)	
Candidate's personal mobile number and office number (if available)	
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Submit this form, a signed covering letter, a brief CV and one photo (square format, min 600x600 pixels) to postbox@ipu.org or in person during the Assembly to the Documents Control Service