



150th ASSEMBLY GUIDEBOOK

5 – 9 April 2025

Tashkent

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OFFICIAL OPENING AND MEETING PLACES

The inaugural ceremony of the 150th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union will take place on Saturday, 5 April at 18:30 at the Tashkent City Congress Centre, in the presence of Ms. Tanzila Narbaeva, Chairperson of the Senate of Uzbekistan, and Mr. Nuriddin Ismoilov, Speaker of the Legislative Chamber of Uzbekistan.

For admission to the inaugural ceremony and all other official events held during the Assembly, participants are kindly requested to wear their identity badges.

The plenary sittings of the Assembly and its Standing Committees, as well as the meetings of the Governing Council, the Executive Committee, the Forum of Women Parliamentarians, the Forum of Young Parliamentarians, the Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians, and the Association of Secretaries General of Parliaments (ASGP) will also be held at the Tashkent City Congress Centre, the Opera Hall, the Hilton Hotel and the Fairmont Hotel.

OFFICIAL RECEPTIONS AND OTHER EVENTS

Saturday, 5 April 2025

Inaugural ceremony

Venue : Tashkent City Congress Centre
Time : 18.30 – 19:30

Followed by an official dinner hosted by Ms. Tanzila Narbaeva, Chairperson of the Senate of Uzbekistan, for Speakers of Parliament, heads of parliamentary delegations and Executive Committee members (format 1+1)

Venue : Ballroom, Tashkent City Congress Centre

Cocktail reception for all other delegates

Venue : Terrace, Hilton Hotel

Sunday, 6 April 2025

Luncheon for Speakers of Parliament (by invitation only)

Venue : City 21 Restaurant, Hilton Hotel
Time : 13:00 – 14:30

Monday, 7 April 2025

Reception offered by the President of the Forum of Women Parliamentarians

Venue : Ballroom, Intercontinental Hotel, Tashkent
Time : 19:30

Tuesday, 8 April 2025

Cultural evening

Venue : To be confirmed
Time : 19:00

General timetable of the 150th Assembly and related meetings

Saturday, 5 April – Wednesday, 9 April 2025

Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Thursday

3 April 2025

09:00 – 18:00 Beginning of registration
Winter Garden (Level 1)

◆ 10:00 – 13:00 Executive Committee (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 5 (Level 1)

◆ 15:00 – 18:00 Executive Committee (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 5 (Level 1)

Friday

4 April 2025

◆ 09:00 – 10:00 Gender Partnership Group (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 5 (Level 1)

◆ 09:30 – 13:00 Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians
(*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 6 (Level 2)

◆ 10:00 – 13:00 Executive Committee (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 5 (Level 1)

◆ 14:30 – 18:00 Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians
(*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 6 (Level 2)

◆ 15:00 – 16:30 Arab Group meeting (*closed session*)
Hilton Hotel Ballroom

◆ 15:00 – 19:00 Twelve Plus Group meeting (*closed session*)
Opera Hall

◆ 15:00 – 18:30 Group of Latin America and the Caribbean meeting
(*closed session*)
Congress Centre Concert Hall (Level 1)

◆ 17:00 – 20:00 African Group meeting (*closed session*)
Hilton Hotel Ballroom

Saturday

5 April 2025

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- ◆ 08:45 – 09:45 Bureau of Women Parliamentarians (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 5 (Level 1)
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- ◆ 09:30 – 11:00 Asia-Pacific Group meeting (*closed session*)
Hilton Hotel Ballroom
-
- ◆ 09:30 – 11:00 Group of Facilitators for Cyprus (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 6 (Level 2)
-
- ▲ 10:00 – 11:00 Briefing for Advisers and Secretaries to delegations
Fairmont Hotel Ballroom (Level 2)
-
- 10:00 – 13:00 Forum of Women Parliamentarians
Opera Hall
-
- ◆ 11:30 – 13:00 Joint Meeting with the Chairpersons of the geopolitical groups, the Presidents of the Standing Committees and the Presidents of the other specialized bodies of the IPU (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 5 (Level 1)
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- 11:45 – 13:00 Forum of Women Parliamentarians (*breakout session*)
Hilton Hotel Ballroom
-
- 14:00 – 17:30 Forum of Women Parliamentarians
Opera Hall
-
- ◆ 14:30 – 17:30 High-Level Advisory Group on Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 5 (Level 1)
-
- ◆ 14:30 – 18:00 Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 6 (Level 2)
-
- ◆ 17:30 – 18:15 Eurasia group meeting (*closed session*)
Hilton Hotel Ballroom
-
- ▲ 18:30 Inaugural ceremony
Congress Centre Multifunctional Hall (Level 1)
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Sunday

6 April 2025

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-  08:00 – 09:00 Assembly Steering Committee (*closed session*)
President's office, Congress Centre (Level 1)
-
-  09:00 – 11:00 Governing Council
Congress Centre Multifunctional Hall (Level 1)
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-  09:00 – 13:00 Standing Committee on Peace and International Security
- Debate on the draft resolution on *The role of parliaments in advancing a two-State solution in Palestine*
 - Beginning of drafting in plenary
- Opera Hall*
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-  09:00 – 13:00 Standing Committee on Sustainable Development
- Debate on the draft resolution on *Parliamentary strategies to mitigate the long-lasting impact of conflicts, including armed conflicts, on sustainable development*
 - Beginning of drafting in plenary
- Hilton Hotel Ballroom*
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-  09:30 – 11:00 Bureau of Young Parliamentarians (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 6 (Level 2)
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-  11:00 – 12:30 ASGP meeting
Fairmont Hotel Ballroom (Level 2)
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-  11:00 – 13:00 Assembly: Start of the General Debate on the theme *Parliamentary action for social development and justice*
Congress Centre Multifunctional Hall (Level 1)
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-  11:30 – 13:00 Bureau of the Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 6 (Level 2)
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- 13:15 – 14:30 High-level luncheon for Speakers of Parliament – by invitation only
City 21 restaurant, Hilton Hotel
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-  14:00 – 15:30 Workshop on *Beliefs and social norms: What impact on women's health?*
Congress Centre Conference Room 5 (Level 1)
-
-  14:30 – 17:30 ASGP visit to Parliament
-
-  14:30 – 17:30 Committee on Middle East Questions (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Concert Hall (Level 1)
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- 14:30 – 17:30 Forum of Young Parliamentarians
Hilton Hotel Ballroom
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- ✦ 14:30 – 18:00 Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians
(closed session)
Congress Centre Conference Room 6 (Level 2)
-
- 14:30 – 18:30 Standing Committee on Peace and International Security
- Drafting in plenary of the draft resolution
Opera Hall
-
- 14:30 – 18:30 Assembly
- Continuation of the General Debate
Congress Centre Multifunctional Hall (Level 1)
-
- 16:00 – 17:00 Bureau of Young Parliamentarians *(closed session)*
(election of the President)
Congress Centre Conference Room 5 (Level 1)
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Monday

7 April 2025

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- ✦ 09:00 – 10:30 Bureau of the Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs *(closed session)*
Congress Centre Conference Room 5 (Level 1)
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- 09:00 – 13:00 Assembly
11:00 - Address by the President of Uzbekistan, Mr. Shavkat Mirziyoyev
12:00 - Special segment on gender equality featuring the launch of a new IPU gender campaign, new gender publications from the IPU and partners, and a celebration of the 40th anniversary of the Forum of Women Parliamentarians
Congress Centre Multifunctional Hall (Level 1)
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- 09:00 – 13:00 Standing Committee on Peace and International Security
- Completion of drafting in plenary of the draft resolution
Opera Hall
-
- ✦ 09:00 – 12:30 Committee to Promote Respect for International Humanitarian Law *(closed session)*
Congress Centre Concert Hall (Level 1)
-
- ✦ 09:00 – 13:00 Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians
(closed session)
Congress Centre Conference Room 6 (Level 2)
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- ▲ 10:00 – 12:30 ASGP meeting
Fairmont Hotel Ballroom (Level 2)
-
- 11:30 – 13:00 Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs
- Discussion on *The UN field presence in support of national development: The case of Uzbekistan*
Hilton Hotel Ballroom
-
- ✦ 11:30 – 13:30 Advisory Group on Health (English only) (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 5 (Level 1)
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- ▲ 13:00 – 14:30 Workshop on *Enhancing parliamentary communication and advocacy for climate action*
Congress Centre Concert Hall (Level 1)
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- ✦ 14:00 – 17:00 Task Force on the peaceful resolution of the war in Ukraine (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 5 (Level 1)
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- 14:30 – 17:30 Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights
- Preparatory debate on the next resolution of the Standing Committee: *Recognizing and supporting the victims of illegal international adoption and taking measures to prevent this practice*
- Follow-up on implementation of the 2023 resolution on *Orphanage trafficking: The role of parliaments in reducing harm*
Hilton Hotel Ballroom
-
- ✦ 14:30 – 17:30 Working Group on Science and Technology (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 6 (Level 2)
-
- 14:30 – 18:30 Standing Committee on Sustainable Development
- Drafting in plenary of the draft resolution
Opera Hall
-
- 14:30 – 18:30 Assembly
- Continuation of the General Debate
- Vote on the emergency item
Congress Centre Multifunctional Hall (Level 1)
-
- ▲ 15:00 – 16:30 Workshop on *Tackling weapons of mass destruction: A humanitarian perspective*
Fairmont Hotel Ballroom (Level 2)
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- ▲ 19:30 – 21:00 Reception offered by the President of the Forum of Women Parliamentarians (for women delegates)
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Tuesday

8 April 2025

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- ◆ 08:30 – 10:00 Gender Partnership Group (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 5 (Level 1)
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- ◆ 09:00 – 10:30 Committee on Middle East Questions (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Concert Hall (Level 1)
-
- ◆ 09:00 – 11:00 Bureau of the Standing Committee on Peace and International Security (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 6 (Level 2)
-
- 09:00 – 11:00 Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs
- Discussion on *The growing role of the BRICS in international relations: What impact for the UN?*
- Elections
Opera Hall
-
- 09:00 – 13:00 Assembly
- Debate on the emergency item
- Continuation of the General Debate
Congress Centre Multifunctional Hall (Level 1)
-
- 09:30 – 12:30 Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights
- Follow-up on implementation of the 2024 resolution on *The impact of artificial intelligence on democracy, human rights and the rule of law*
- Elections
Hilton Hotel Ballroom
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- ▲ 10:00 – 12:30 ASGP meeting
Fairmont Hotel Ballroom (Level 2)
-
- ◆ 10:00 – 13:00 Executive Committee (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 5 (Level 1)
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- ▲ 11:00 – 13:00 Open session of the Committee to Promote Respect for International Humanitarian Law on the theme *The role of parliaments in tackling the effects of armed conflict on children*
Congress Centre Concert Hall (Level 1)
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- ▲ 11:30 – 13:00 Panel discussion on *Harnessing religious and ethical values to advance parliamentary dialogue and peaceful coexistence*
Opera Hall
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- ◆ 11:30 – 13:30 Bureau of the Standing Committee on Sustainable Development (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 6 (Level 2)
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- ▲ 12:45 – 14:15 Workshop on *Reducing methane emissions: A critical pathway for addressing the climate crisis*
Hilton Hotel Ballroom
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- 14:00 – 16:00 Standing Committee on Peace and International Security
- Adoption of the draft resolution on *The role of parliaments in advancing a two-State solution in Palestine*
 - Preparations for future Assemblies
 - Elections
- Opera Hall*
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- 14:30 – 15:00 Forum of Women Parliamentarians
(elections to the Bureau of Women Parliamentarians)
Hilton Hotel Ballroom
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- ▲ 14:30 – 17:30 ASGP meeting
Fairmont Hotel Ballroom (Level 2)
-
- 14:30 – 18:00 Assembly
- Special accountability segment on the implementation of IPU resolutions and other decisions
 - Conclusion of the General Debate
- Congress Centre Multifunctional Hall (Level 1)*
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- ✦ 14:30 – 18:00 Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians
(closed session)
Congress Centre Conference Room 6 (Level 2)
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- ✦ 14:30 – 18:30 Possible drafting committee on the emergency item
(closed session)
Congress Centre Conference Room 5 (Level 1)
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- ✦ 14:30 – 18:30 Possible drafting committee on a second emergency item
(closed session)
Hilton Hotel Tashkent Room 1 (Level 2)
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- ✦ 15:00 – 16:00 Bureau of Women Parliamentarians (closed session, election of presiding officers)
Congress Centre Concert Hall (Level 1)
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- 16:30 – 17:30 Forum of Women Parliamentarians
Hilton Hotel Ballroom
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- ▲ 16:30 – 18:00 Workshop on parliamentary diplomacy and mediation
Congress Centre Concert Hall (Level 1)
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- 17:00 – 18:30 Standing Committee on Sustainable Development
- Adoption of the draft resolution on *Parliamentary strategies to mitigate the long-lasting impact of conflicts, including armed conflicts, on sustainable development*
 - Preparations for future Assemblies
 - Elections
- Opera Hall*
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- ▲ 19:00 Cultural evening
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Wednesday

9 April 2025

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-  09:00 – 11:30 Bureau of Women Parliamentarians (*closed session*)
Congress Centre Conference Room 5 (Level 1)
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-  09:00 – 13:00 Governing Council
- Decisions on the human rights of MPs
 - Reports on the activities of Committees and other bodies
 - Reports of specialized meetings
- Congress Centre Multifunctional Hall (Level 1)*
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-  10:00 – 12:30 ASGP meeting
Fairmont Hotel Ballroom (Level 2)
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-  14:30 – 17:30 ASGP meeting
Fairmont Hotel Ballroom (Level 2)
-
-  14:30 – Governing Council
Congress Centre Multifunctional Hall (Level 1)
-
-  At the end of the Governing Council Assembly
- Adoption of resolutions
 - Reports of the Standing Committees
 - Outcome document of the General Debate
 - Adoption of amendments to the Statutes and Rules
 - Closing sitting
- Congress Centre Multifunctional Hall (Level 1)*
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SEATING ARRANGEMENTS IN MEETING ROOMS

As usual, lots will be drawn among the delegations participating in the session to determine which will be seated in the first row of the Plenary Hall. The result of this drawing of lots and the name of the delegation placed in the front row, on the right-hand side of the Chair, will be posted on the Assembly App and shared on the WhatsApp group. Other delegations follow in *English alphabetical order*. The first and last seats of each delegation are marked by a country nameplate.

For the Forum of Women Parliamentarians, Standing Committee plenary sessions and other meetings, delegates are invited to collect their country nameplate when entering the room and place it in front of them, clearly visible.

AGENDA OF THE ASSEMBLY

1. Election of the President of the 150th Assembly
2. Consideration of requests for the inclusion of an emergency item in the Assembly agenda
3. General Debate on the theme *Parliamentary action for social development and justice*
4. Special accountability segment on the implementation of IPU resolutions and other decisions
5. *The role of parliaments in advancing a two-State solution in Palestine*
(Standing Committee on Peace and International Security)
6. *Parliamentary strategies to mitigate the long-lasting impact of conflicts, including armed conflicts, on sustainable development*
(Standing Committee on Sustainable Development)
7. Reports of the Standing Committees
8. Approval of the subject items for the Standing Committee on Peace and International Security and for the Standing Committee on Sustainable Development for the 152nd Assembly and appointment of the co-Rapporteurs
9. Amendments to the IPU Statutes and Rules

AGENDAS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES

Standing Committee on Peace and International Security

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Approval of the summary record of the Committee's session held at the 149th IPU Assembly in Geneva (October 2024)
3. *The role of parliaments in advancing a two-State solution in Palestine*
4. Preparations for future Assemblies
5. Elections to the Bureau of the Standing Committee
6. Any other business

Standing Committee on Sustainable Development

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Approval of the summary record of the Committee's session held at the 149th IPU Assembly in Geneva (October 2024)
3. *Parliamentary strategies to mitigate the long-lasting impact of conflicts, including armed conflicts, on sustainable development*
4. Preparations for future Assemblies
5. Elections to the Bureau of the Standing Committee
6. Any other business

Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Approval of the summary record of the Committee's session held at the 149th IPU Assembly in Geneva (October 2024)

3. Preparatory debate on the next resolution of the Standing Committee: *Recognizing and supporting the victims of illegal international adoption and taking measures to prevent this practice*
4. Follow-up on implementation of the resolutions of the Standing Committee
5. Elections to the Bureau of the Standing Committee
6. Any other business

Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Approval of the summary record of the Committee's session held at the 149th IPU Assembly in Geneva (October 2024)
3. The UN field presence in support of national development: The case of Uzbekistan
4. The growing role of the BRICS in international relations: What impact for the UN?
6. Any other business

REGISTRATION OF SPEAKERS AND SPEAKING TIME FOR THE GENERAL DEBATE

Delegations may register at the Speakers' Registration Desk.

Venue	Speakers' Registration Desk, near to the entrance of the Multicultural Hall (right-hand corridor) (Tashkent City Congress Centre, Level 1)
Opening hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Saturday, 5 April 2025 from 11:00 to 17:00• Sunday, 6 April 2025 from 09:00 to 13:00 and from 14:00 to 18:30
Officer in charge	Mr. Ed Cooper
Number of speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• IPU Member Parliaments and Associate Members: up to three speakers <i>A third speaker can be registered only if they are a young member of parliament (under 45 years of age)</i>¹• Observers: one speaker
Speaking time	The speaking time allocated to delegations will be as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Member delegations: 6 minutes• Young parliamentarians: 2 minutes• Permanent observers: 3 minutes
Segments in the list	The Secretariat will register speakers for the following four segments: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Speakers of Parliament• First speakers from delegations• Second speakers from delegations• Young parliamentarians
Distribution of speeches	Delegations are invited to submit the texts of official speeches to speeches@ipu.org . As far as possible, the texts of official statements delivered in the General Debate will be published on the Assembly webpage and will be part of the records of the Assembly. Due to technical limitations, only speeches in English, French and Spanish will be posted. Please note that the IPU Secretariat is not in a position to translate the texts of speeches.
Final order of speakers	At 17:00 on Saturday, 5 April 2025, the Secretariat will determine the final order of speakers for each segment by the public drawing of lots (at the Speakers' Registration Desk).
Where to find the list	The list of speakers will be available at the Documents Distribution Service (close to Registration on the ground floor), as well as on the 150th Assembly webpage and App.

¹ The age to be considered a young MP has been lowered to under 40. For the Tashkent Assembly, a transitional period will be observed and registration for MPs under age 45 will be accepted.

Can we register after the drawing of lots?	Speakers registering after the drawing of lots will be added to the list (in their respective categories) in the order in which they have registered, until the Assembly closes the list of speakers. A revised list containing such additions will be issued at the end of each day.
How to change the order	Delegates may exchange their place on the list with other speakers. In the event of any such changes, please inform Ms. Anda Filip, Secretary of the Assembly. Any bilateral arrangements which may be made by delegations to exchange places in the list of speakers will not lead to a renumbering of the position held by speakers in the list.
Timekeeping	A green light will shine when the speaker commences; when the speaker has only one minute remaining, an orange light will shine; when the speaking time has been used up, a red light will flash. Second speakers from a delegation may find it useful to consult the timekeepers to ascertain the precise amount of time available to them for their statements.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Registration and Information Desk

The Registration and Information Desk is located in the Winter Garden area of the Tashkent City Congress Centre and will be open as follows:

- 09:00 to 17:30 on Thursday, 3 April 2025
- 08:00 to 18:30 from Friday, 4 April to Wednesday, 9 April 2025

All participants must register with the Registration Desk, which will distribute the identity badges. Delegates may also collect documents and other communications from their pigeonholes.

The provisional list of delegates will be available for consultation on the IPU website and App. A hard copy can be obtained, upon request, from the Documents Distribution Service. In the afternoon of Sunday, 6 April 2025, delegation coordinators and secretaries are kindly requested to collect from the Registration Service a document containing information relating to their delegation. Any modifications should be signed by the head of the delegation and given to Ms. K. Tatam at the Registration Desk no later than 8 April 2025 at 12 noon.

As part of the IPU's paper smart policy, the list of participants is no longer a bilingual document. The information in the list will appear in the language of registration and a bilingual glossary of terms will be included.

The colour of the identity badges corresponds to the following categories of participants:

	Colour
Speakers and Heads of Delegations	Dark blue and red
Members of Parliament, Delegates	Dark blue
Secretaries, Advisers of Delegations	Dark green
Observers	Light greenDark greyLight green
ASGP	YellowRedYellow
Special Guests	RedOrangeRed
Accompanying Persons	Dark orange
Diplomatic Corps	Black
IPU Secretariat	Light blue and local staff
PinkLight blue	
Host Parliament Secretariat	Purple
Host Parliament Secretariat	Purple
Media / Press	Light orangeYellowOrange
Public	White
Security	Light brown
Diplomatic corps	Black

For security reasons, admission to the Assembly facilities and to all programme activities will be limited to persons wearing Assembly badges received at the time of registration. All participants are therefore requested to wear their Assembly badges at all times.

Table of votes at the Assembly

In conformity with Rule 29 of the Assembly Rules, the table indicating the number of votes to which delegations taking part in the session are entitled will be distributed at the opening of the Assembly. Delegates are reminded that votes are allocated in accordance with the provisions of Article 15 of the Statutes, which stipulates as follows:

ARTICLE 15

1. Only delegates present in person shall have the right to vote.
2. The number of votes to which each Member Parliament of the IPU is entitled shall be calculated on the following basis:

- (a) Each Member Parliament of the IPU shall have a minimum of 10 votes;
- (b) Each Member Parliament of the IPU shall have the following additional number of votes in relation to the population of its country:

From	1	to	5	million	1	vote
				inhabitants:		
From more than	5	to	10	" "	2	votes
" " "	10	to	20	" "	3	"
" " "	20	to	30	" "	4	"
" " "	30	to	40	" "	5	"
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" " "	50	to	60	" "	7	"
" " "	60	to	80	" "	8	"
" " "	80	to	100	" "	9	"
" " "	100	to	150	" "	10	"
" " "	150	to	200	" "	11	"
" " "	200	to	300	" "	12	"
From " "			300	" "	13	"

- (c) Any delegation that for two consecutive sessions is composed exclusively of parliamentarians of the same sex shall have a minimum of eight votes (instead of the 10 for mixed delegations) at the Assembly of the IPU. For delegations entitled to a certain number of additional votes, the overall calculation will be made on the basis of eight votes instead of 10.

3. A delegation may split its votes so as to express the diverse views of its members. No single delegate may record more than 10 votes.

Assembly documents

The Secretary General has overall responsibility for authorizing the circulation of all official documents for the session.

As part of our commitment to sustainability, and in an effort to implement the IPU's paper-smart policy, only a very limited number of documents will be printed. Official documents will be available on the Assembly App and webpage, and we encourage you to consult them digitally whenever possible.

If you need printed copies, a print-on-demand service is available, from 4 April until 9 April, for delegates to print their own documents as needed. This service is located in the room directly behind the Registration and Information Desk.

Thank you for your cooperation in making this Assembly more environmentally friendly!

The Assembly Journal, which provides the latest updates on the programme of meetings and other information, is available at the Documents Distribution Desk, , as well as on the 150th Assembly webpage and Assembly App.

Distribution of messages and non-official documentation

The transmission of messages through the Registration and Information Desk is a service made available to delegations with a view to facilitating communications on matters relating to the Assembly and its proceedings.

Delegations that wish to share information on any question other than those related to the working of the sessions may do so, under their own responsibility, by leaving documentation on tables set aside for this purpose (right-hand corridor leading to the Plenary Hall).

Results of the Assembly and related meetings

All delegations will receive one printed copy of the Results of the 150th Assembly. The Assembly Results brochure will also be made available on the event webpage: ipu.org/150.

Summary records of the debates

The Summary Records of the Governing Council, of the Assembly, and of the four Standing Committees, will be prepared by the Secretariat and posted on the website within three months after the Assembly.

Submission and control of documents

Delegations wishing to submit documents relating to the agenda of the Assembly and of the Governing Council or transmit any information to the Secretariat of the Assembly (change in their Executive Bureau, contact details, etc.) are requested to do so at this Service, located on Level 2, right-hand corridor. The person in charge of this service is Ms. E. Vulpillière Puis.

Simultaneous interpretation

The IPU Secretariat will provide simultaneous interpretation in the IPU Assembly's working languages (Arabic, English, French and Spanish) at the meetings of all statutory bodies.

In the Multicultural Hall, four interpretation booths have been reserved for Chinese, Japanese, Portuguese and Russian. These booths are provided free of charge and may be used by the interpretation teams for these languages.

Delegations are informed that no other meeting rooms will be equipped with booths, as the sessions there will be serviced by off-site interpreters. Therefore, if a national parliament wishes to recruit remote simultaneous interpreters (RSIs) for these rooms, they should make sure that the interpreters are familiar with interpreting via Zoom. For more details, please contact Conference Services (conf.services@ipu.org).

Delegates may deliver their speech in another language, provided that they arrange for it to be interpreted into one of the IPU's official languages (English or French) by a person designated by them, who will be given access to an interpretation booth or interpretation channel. To allow for all necessary arrangements to be made in good time, delegations should contact well in advance the Conference Services team (conf.services@ipu.org) or the English booth interpreters assigned to the meeting at which the speech will be delivered. Moreover, eight copies of a translation of the speech into one of the IPU's official languages should be given to the English booth for distribution to the other interpreters.

IPU Communications

Publications

Come and browse the latest IPU publications and products on the IPU stand (right-hand corridor leading to the Plenary Hall).

Interviews

In line with the IPU's priority theme of the year, we are interested in interviewing you to hear about what action you are taking to advance gender equality.

Media, photos and video

For media enquiries or video footage, please contact press@ipu.org.

Social media

Join the conversation using **#IPU150**

Follow us on:

x.com/ipuparliament facebook.com/ InterParliamentaryUnion
instagram.com/ ipu.parliament_official
youtube.com/user/ iparliamentaryunion
linkedin.com/company/ inter-parliamentary-union
NEW – IPU is now on Bluesky
<https://bsky.app/> - @ipuparliament.bsky.social

For photos of the Assembly, download directly from our Flickr account: www.flickr.com/photos/inter-parliamentary-union/albums

Ensuring a safe and respectful Assembly

The IPU is committed to protecting and promoting freedom of opinion and expression in its meetings; however, abusive language, expressions of intolerance and incitement to discrimination, hostility or violence are unacceptable. Speakers shall refrain from such conduct. The presiding officer of the meeting may take any action deemed necessary to call to order anyone who disrupts the proceedings in this way.

The IPU is also committed to ensuring a working environment for the Assembly that is free of sexism and sexual harassment. All those working for or on behalf of the IPU, delegates and other attendees are expected to conduct themselves in a professional and respectful manner, and to follow the provisions of the IPU [Policy to prevent and address harassment, including sexual harassment, at IPU Assemblies and other IPU events](#).

Informal and bilateral meeting rooms

On the Assembly premises, there are two meeting rooms available for geopolitical and other group meetings, as well as seven bilateral meeting rooms.

Reservations of these rooms are handled by the Bilateral Meeting Rooms Desk, located opposite the IPU Secretariat Office (left-hand corridor, Level 1). All reservations are made on a first-come, first-served basis.

Typing pool, photocopying and print-on-demand service

The typing pool, photocopying and print-on-demand service for delegates (just behind the Registration Desk) is open from 5 to 9 April 2025. Delegates may request additional copies of any documents posted on the IPU website.

Internet and Wi-Fi access

An internet café will be available from 5 to 9 April 2025, from 08:30 to 18:30, located behind the Documents Distribution Desk. Wi-Fi access is also available throughout the building:

- Network: **150-Assembly**
- Password: **Tashkent-150**

No-smoking policy

There is a no-smoking policy in effect throughout Tashkent City Congress Centre. Delegates wishing to smoke should do so outside in the designated areas.

Restaurant

Assembly participants will have access to the main restaurant, opposite the entrance to the Congress Centre, where hot meals and light snacks will be available.

MEMBERSHIP OF STATUTORY BODIES

Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union

President

The Assembly will elect its President at the opening of its proceedings on Sunday, 6 April 2025 at 11:00.

Steering Committee

Assembly Rule 9 reads as follows: "The Steering Committee of the Assembly shall be composed of the President of the Assembly, the President of the IPU, the Vice-President of the IPU designated in conformity with Rule 5.2 of the Rules of the Executive Committee, the Presidents of the Standing Committees, the President of the Bureau of Women Parliamentarians, and the President of the Bureau of Young Parliamentarians, or their representatives."

Standing Committee – Peace and International Security

President: Ms. A. Kuspan (Kazakhstan)
Vice-President: Mr. H. Mohammad (Malaysia)
Secretary: Ms. Laurence Marzal

Standing Committee – Sustainable Development

President: Mr. W. William (Seychelles)
Vice-President: Ms. M. Al Suwaidi (United Arab Emirates)
Secretary: Ms. Aleksandra Blagojevic

Standing Committee – Democracy and Human Rights

President: Ms. D. O'Neill (Australia)
Vice-President: Mr. A. Torosyan (Armenia)
Secretary: Mr. Andy Richardson

Standing Committee – United Nations Affairs

President: Vacancy
Vice-President: Ms. C.L. Crexell (Argentina)
Secretary: Ms. Paddy Torsney

Governing Council of the Inter-Parliamentary Union

President: Dr. Tulia Ackson (United Republic of Tanzania)

Executive Committee

President: Dr. Tulia Ackson (United Republic of Tanzania)

IPU Vice-President: Mr. A.R. Al Nuaimi (United Arab Emirates)

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Ms. A. Sarangi (India)
Ms. S. Mikayilova (Azerbaijan)
Ms. G. G. Morawska-Stanecka (Poland)
Vacancy

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Ms. I.K. Godalena (Democratic Republic of the Congo)
Mr. X. Iacovelli (France)
Ms. D.-T. Avgerinopoulou (Greece)
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Ms. M.d.C. Alva Prieto (Peru)
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President of the Bureau of Young Parliamentarians

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Mr. Martin Chungong

Assembly

Ms. Anda Filip, Secretary
Ms. Andrée Lorber
Mr. Ed Cooper

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Executive Committee

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Mr. Michael Stott

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Ms. Kareen Jabre, Secretary
Ms. Mariana Duarte Mutzenberg
Ms. Marie-Graziella Nguini

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Ms. Zeina Hilal, Secretary
Ms. Brigitte Fillion
Ms. Mariana Duarte Mutzenberg
Ms. Graça Sanches

Forum of Young Parliamentarians

Ms. Zeina Hilal, Secretary
Mr. Jonathan Lang

Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians

Mr. Rogier Huizenga, Secretary
Ms. Boutayna Lamharzi
Mr. Roberto Rodriguez Valencia

Committee on Middle East Questions

Mr. Martin Chungong, Secretary
Mr. Mokhtar Omar

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Ms. Kareen Jabre, Secretary
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Advisory Group on Health

Ms. Aleksandra Blagojevic, Secretary
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Group of Facilitators for Cyprus

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Working Group on Science and Technology

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