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Parliamentary Forum at the 2025 HLPF

Dear Madam President,
Dear Mr. President,

I am pleased to inform you that this year's **Parliamentary Forum** at the UN's [High Level Political Forum on sustainable development](#) (HLPF) will take place in the afternoon of **Tuesday, 22 July**, in New York.

The annual HLPF at the UN offers a unique opportunity to review progress toward the SDGs together with ministers, experts and civil society representatives. With the SDGs off track, strong parliamentary action is needed to hold governments accountable for their SDGs commitment and to institutionalize the SDGs through all relevant policies and processes.

Entitled ***Gender equality and health: fast forwarding progress***, the Parliamentary Forum will focus on two Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) that are under review at the 2025 HLPF, namely, SDG 3, on health and wellbeing for all, and SDG 5, on gender equality and empowerment of women and girls. In two fast-paced sessions, the meeting will highlight the concrete steps parliaments can make to advance these goals and help reset the SDGs as a whole.

The draft programme of the Parliamentary Forum will be posted to the [event's page](#) on the IPU website in the coming weeks. Interested participants are invited to register via the [online form](#) available at that page.

As per past practice, the Parliamentary Forum is open to members of parliament attending the HLPF session as part of their national delegations. Interested parliamentarians should contact their Foreign Ministry or their Mission in New York to enquire about accreditation and other practical arrangements.

Should you require further information, my colleagues at the New York Office (ny-office@ipu.org) are available to assist.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Chungong
Secretary General