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To the Presidents of all IPU Groups

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Dear Madam President,
Dear Mr. President,

I am pleased to invite your parliament to participate in the eighth World e-Parliament Conference, which will be hosted by the IPU in Geneva on 3-5 December 2018.

The World e-Parliament Conference is the leading international forum for exchanging good practices and building inter-parliamentary cooperation in the area of information and communication technology. On this occasion, we plan to launch the findings of the 2018 edition of the World e-Parliament Report, and the IPU's new Centre for Innovation in Parliament.

"Innovation" will be the red thread that runs through the 2018 World e-Parliament Conference. Participants will have an opportunity to learn about, and discuss, how parliaments can promote an innovative culture within the institution. There will be a strong focus on developing good practices for parliamentarians in the innovative use of technology tools.

The World e-Parliament Conference is aimed at members of parliament, Secretaries General, parliamentary staff specialized in ICT, communications, research and other fields, as well as other interested people. Approximately 350 participants are expected.

I am pleased to enclose the concept note and provisional agenda for the conference. Conference documentation and information about how to register are available at https://www.ipu.org/event/world-e-parliament-conference-2018. Parliaments are kindly asked to register their delegations online by Friday 16 November 2018. For any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my colleagues Andy Richardson and Avinash Bikha at postbox@ipu.org and wepr@ipu.org).

I look forward to the active participation of your parliament in this important event.

Yours sincerely,

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