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Belgrade (Serbia) 13-17 October 2019



Information note Speaker's Dialogue on Governance

Tuesday 15 October 2.30 -5.30 pm Halls 3/1 and 15/1 (first floor), Building A, Sava Centre

The Speakers' Dialogue at the 141st Assembly follows on from the first such Dialogue in Doha in April this year. The Dialogue is a platform for high-level political exchange. By focusing on practical ways to strengthen governance and the role of parliament, it will provide an important contribution to the 2020 World Conference of Speakers of Parliament.

2.30 -3 p.m.: Introductory remarks from the IPU President, Ms. Cuevas

Barron. (Hall 3/1 (first floor)

3 - 4.30 p.m.: **Group discussions**

Participants will be invited to divide into two groups.

• Group 1: Economy and development

Venue: Hall 15/1 (Interpretation in English and Arabic only)

Moderator: Speaker Mudenda, Zimbabwe

Introductory remarks: J. Clarken, Chief Executive, Oxfam, Ireland,

C. Chauvel, Global lead, Inclusive Processes and

Institutions, UNDP

Group 2: Security and Human Rights

Venue: Hall 3/1 (Interpretation in English, French and

Spanish)

Moderator: Speaker Flores, Chile

Introductory remarks: S. Tharour, former UN Under Secretary-General

M. Miedico, Special Advisor to the USG,

UN Counter-Terrorism Office

4.45 – 5.30 p.m.: Report back and conclusions

Each Chair will report back on the main conclusions and recommendations made in their respective groups. The reports will be followed by an exchange of views with participants.

The Speakers' dialogue is open to Speakers only. Speakers wishing to take the floor are invited to share their views and opinion for a maximum of 5-6 minutes. The debate aims at being interactive and action oriented. Participants are encouraged to speak freely and avoid pre-prepared speeches.

