

Draft invitation

Parliamentary meeting on Securing our Common Future: An Agenda for Disarmament the disarmament agenda released in 2018 by the UN Secretary-General

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Wednesday February 19, 2020 9:30 – 12:30 United Nations New York, Room []

A forum of parliamentarians, parliamentary organisations and UN delegations to discuss the UN Secretary-General's Disarmament Agenda and how parliamentarians can advance this, working in cooperation with governments, the UN and civil society.

The meeting will consider the draft of a parliamentary handbook entitled 'Securing our Common Future: A Guide to Parliamentary Action in support of Disarmament for Sustainable Development.' Feedback from the meeting will assist in editing the draft handbook whose release is planned for the 143rd IPU Assembly in Rwanda October 2020, with a follow-up UN launch of the handbook in New York during UN Disarmament Week 2020.

Session 1: 9:30 – 11:00: Securing our Common Future: An agenda for Disarmament

At this session the panel and participants will review the key elements of the UN Secretary-General's agenda for disarmament, reflect on current conflicts and arms races, and take stock of disarmament agreements and negotiations.

Session 2: 11:00 – 12:30: Parliamentary roles to advance disarmament for our common future

At this session the panel and participants will review key initiatives by the parliamentary community in support of disarmament and non-proliferation treaties and UN resolutions. The session will consider additional effective measures that parliamentarians can take to further the new disarmament agenda put forward by the UN Secretary-General.

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