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Eighth IPU Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians

Young MPs for climate action

15 and 16 June 2022, Sharm el-Sheikh (Egypt)

Provisional programme

Tuesday, 14 June	
9:00 – 18:00	Registration of delegates at Tonino Lamborghini International Conference Center
Wednesday, 15 June	
07:30 – 17:15	Registration of delegates
09:30 – 10:00	Opening ceremony Opening remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Hanafy Ali Gibaly, Speaker of the Egyptian House of Representatives• Mr. Duarte Pacheco, President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union• Ms. Sahar Albazar, President of the IPU Forum of Young Parliamentarians, Member of Parliament, Egypt
10:00 – 10:30	Keynote address <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ambassador Mr. Hamdy Louza, Deputy Foreign Minister of Egypt
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 – 12:30	Session 1 – The state of climate change, its impact and human rights Chairperson: Mr. Ulrich Lechte, Member of the Board of the IPU Forum of Young Parliamentarians and Member of Parliament, Germany Panel discussion <p>Seven years after the 2015 United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP21) and the Paris Climate Change Agreement, the gap between the goal to limit global warming to well below 2°C and keep the 1.5°C target within reach, and current emissions is enormous. In addition to the environmental implications from the rise of temperatures, there are human ones as well. Increasing needs for adaptation, in particular in developing countries, is also confirmed by the latest reports of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) reports.</p> <p>With time running out, where are we as an international community in achieving our climate targets? How does the impact of climate change affect human rights, stability and development, especially regarding the most vulnerable? What legal approaches have been taken to encourage climate justice for future generations?</p> Keynote Address: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Sara Minkara, United States Special Advisor on International Disability Rights (video message) Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ambassador Moushira Khattab, President, Egyptian National Council for Human Rights• Mr. Dhanush Dinesh, Founder, Clim-Eat• Ms. Lilia Chanaoui, Networks Coordinator, Climate Parliament

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Sofía Monsalve, Secretary General, FIAN International <p>Presentations by panellists will be followed by a debate.</p>
12:30 – 14:00	Light lunch
14:00 – 15:30	<p>Session 2 – Parliamentary action to fight climate change</p> <p>Part 1: Case studies of legislative and oversight practices to leverage parliamentary tools for action.</p> <p>Chairperson: Ms. Sahar Albazar, President of the IPU Forum of Young Parliamentarians and Member of Parliament, Egypt</p> <p>Panel discussion Young MPs have key roles in addressing climate change, from participating in the drafting of new legislation to applying oversight tools to monitor government implementation of climate commitments. The session will highlight examples of how young MPs can play leadership roles using the levers of power of parliament.</p> <p>What types of legislative measures are effective in aligning countries with their climate change commitments, while ensuring a holistic approach to social and economic dimensions? How can young MPs hold their governments to account?</p> <p>Keynote Address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Jim Skea, Professor, Imperial College of London, Lead Author of Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) reports (video message) <p>Panellists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Ashraf Rashad, MP, Egypt Mr. Dan Carden, MP, United Kingdom Ms. Maria Eugenia Catalfamo, Senator, Argentina Mr. Nsanja Patrick Kayongo MP, Uganda Ms. Meera Al Suwaidi, MP, United Arab Emirates <p>Presentations by panellists will be followed by a debate and an exchange of good practices.</p>
15:30 – 15:45	Coffee break
15:45 – 17:15	<p>Session 2 – Parliamentary action to fight climate change</p> <p>Part 2: Parliamentary innovation through “green budgeting” and creating more environmentally sustainable “green” parliaments</p> <p>Chairperson: Ms. Raksha Nikhil Khadse, Member of the Board of the IPU Forum of Young Parliamentarians and Member of Parliament, India</p> <p>Panel discussion Parliaments are coming up with creative solutions to better integrate climate action into their processes. For example, some are adopting the growing practice of environment-based analysis in budgets, or green budgeting, to better understand how state spending interacts with climate change commitments.</p> <p>What is the practice of “green budgeting” all about and how effective has it been? How have some parliaments practically reduced the environmental impact of their work? What other out-of-the-box solutions exist that can be replicated in other countries?</p> <p>Keynote Address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Margaux Lelong, Policy Analyst, Green Budgeting, Organization for Cooperation and Development and (OECD)

	<p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Sebastian Tynkkynen, MP, Finland • Mr. Vincent Tsvangirai, MP, Zimbabwe • Ms. Eslam Altabashat, MP, Jordan • Mr. Afnan Ullah Khan, Senator, Pakistan • Mr. Nico Marchetti, MP, Austria <p>Presentations by panellists will be followed by a debate and an exchange of good practices.</p>
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Thursday, 16 June	
06:00 – 07:00	Run for the planet
09:30 – 11:00	<p>Session 3 – Harnessing civil society and citizen engagement in parliament</p> <p>Chairperson: Ms. Raksha Nikhil Khadse, Member of the Board of the IPU Forum of Young Parliamentarians and Member of Parliament, India</p> <p>Panel discussion Youth have made headlines in recent years by calling for climate action from their political leaders. As representatives of the people, young parliamentarians are ideally placed to connect young people and civil society groups – especially youth groups – in the work of parliament to combat climate change.</p> <p>How can young MPs channel the voices of youth leaders to the State decision-making table? How are parliaments reaching out to the public more broadly, including through social media and online technologies, to better understand their constituencies' views and elevate them to the institutional level?</p> <p>Keynote address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Saiarchana Darira, Assistant Producer for Turn it Around! for UN COP 26 <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Tamar Chugoshvili, Parliamentary expert and former Deputy Speaker of the Parliament of Georgia • Ms. Rianna Gonzales, Water Resources Specialist, Youth Engagement, Global Water Partnership • Ms. Lamia Mohsin, UNFCCC Youth Climate Champion Fellow • Ms. Shana Mohamed Massoud, Director of international relation, Haya Karima Foundation <p>Presentations by panellists will be followed by a debate and an exchange of good practices.</p>
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee break
11:15 – 12:45	<p>Session 4 – Climate change support for developing countries</p> <p>Chairperson: Mr. Ulrich Lechte, Member of the Board of the IPU Forum of Young Parliamentarians and Member of Parliament, Germany</p> <p>Panel discussion All countries require the means to fund and develop climate mitigation and adaptation measures; however this need is more acute in the developing world. At COP26 in Glasgow (2021), countries reaffirmed their commitment to provide US\$ 100 billion</p>

	<p>annually from developed to developing countries and to work together to ensure that global climate targets are met while fostering sustainable development. Also at Glasgow, several reports highlighted the financial needs of developing countries.</p> <p>What role can parliaments play in facilitating development cooperation, both for climate mitigation and climate adaptation, between developed and developing countries? How can parliament promote such efforts when adopting state budgets? How can inter-parliamentary cooperation be leveraged to facilitate such cooperation?</p> <p>Keynote Address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Sheila Redzepi, Vice President, World Bank Group (video message) <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Laila Iskandar, CID Consulting, Former Minister of Environment of Egypt • Mr. Hamza Al-Assad, Regional Head, Climate Strategy and Regional Delivery, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development • Mr. Jens Kromann Kristensen, Practice Manager, Governance, Middle East & North Africa, World Bank <p>Presentations by panellists will be followed by a debate.</p>
12:45 – 13:30	<p>Closing session</p> <p>Presentation and adoption of the Outcome Document</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Sahar Albazar, President of the IPU Forum of Young Parliamentarians and Member of Parliament, Egypt <p>Closing speeches</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Hanafy Ali Gibaly, Speaker of the Egyptian House of Representatives • Mr. Duarte Pacheco, President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union
17:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gala Dinner in the desert offered by the Egyptian House of Representatives