

## **DRAFT STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE IPU 2010-2015**

### **RECAPITULATION OF 33 TASKS TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGY FOR THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF THE IPU**

1. Develop a strategy to make it possible for all parliaments to join the IPU
2. Secure agreement within the organization on how parliaments can and should participate in its work
3. Formulate guidelines on how the diversity in parliament should be reflected in the composition of delegations to the IPU
4. Build a strategy for the IPU to take the lead in ensuring greater coherence in parliamentary cooperation and, as part of such an initiative, convene a meeting of regional parliamentary assemblies and organizations
5. Promote greater awareness within the IPU and among parliaments of IPU's strategy for developing a parliamentary dimension to the United Nations and secure agreement on how best to move forward
6. Reach agreement on how the Standing (and similar) Committees dealing with peace and security issues should function, provide them with guidelines, allocate resources so that they can function during and between sessions, and put in place a mechanism to encourage and monitor follow-up and implementation
7. Develop an IPU programme to promote parliamentary action in support of non-proliferation and disarmament and provide it with resources.
8. Consolidate IPU's work in support of parliaments in countries emerging from conflict and allocate resources so that the IPU can meet the demand that it receives from parliaments and from the United Nations
9. Consolidate IPU's work in support of national reconciliation through parliaments and allocate resources so that the IPU can meet the demand that it receives from parliaments and from the United Nations
10. Develop a programme to promote democratic control of the armed forces and the security sector through parliaments in all regions in cooperation with DCAF and provide corresponding resources
11. Develop a strategy to address all eight MDGs in parliaments, including environmental and climate change issues, with targeted activities based on clearly set objectives and integrated throughout IPU's political agenda, provide resources and create a way for parliaments to contribute to the post-2015 agenda
12. Consolidate IPU's programme in the area of HIV/AIDS to help parliaments in all countries develop legislation that is based on evidence and human rights principles.
13. Consolidate IPU's work in support of the aid effectiveness agenda; develop capacity building projects and increase cooperation (and burden sharing) between regional parliamentary organizations
14. Evaluate achievements in assisting parliaments to address trade issues, draw lessons and, if necessary, change strategy. Evaluate potential for extending activity to the capacity building field and for working with Bretton Woods institutions
15. Determine what, if anything, the IPU should do to improve governance in Least Developed Countries after the 2011 LDC Conference

16. Create mechanism for voluntary review within the IPU of the performance of parliaments, reinforce work on standards and evaluations of parliamentary performance and provide requisite resources
17. Formulate a multiyear program of activities to develop standards for democratic parliaments and promote their use, deepen analysis of the five core values of parliament – representative, transparent, accessible, accountable and effective - and produce tools to assist in building parliamentary capacity
18. Strengthen programme to improve parliamentary oversight and accountability, extend cooperation to INTOSAI and EITI, and provide activities with required resources
19. Seek agreement with States on IPU's role in providing support to parliaments and helping to build democracy
20. Evaluate PARLINE and establish a multiyear programme of activities to raise awareness and understanding around democracy issues on IPU's agenda
21. Reinforce the Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians and provide it with additional resources
22. Evaluate experience gained so far in building institutional capacity in parliaments on human rights with a view to developing a focussed and effective programme of activities
23. Evaluate parliamentary handbooks and develop an IPU agenda and program of work for producing these and similar tools in the field of human rights (and others)
24. Establish a regular programme of activities on child protection issues to promote action in parliaments to protect the most vulnerable children in society
25. Organize consultation between parliaments and national human rights institutions
26. Strengthen IPU's research capacity, maintain its production of information on women in politics and ensure effective dissemination of knowledge, including by ensuring a leading role for the IPU in iKNOW Politics
27. Establish a regular programme to help women gain access to politics in the Gulf and the Pacific regions, as well as in countries emerging from conflict
28. Follow up on the survey on gender sensitive parliaments through the establishment of standards, guidelines and a capacity building programme
29. Evaluate activities to build capacity in parliaments to address key gender concerns and develop a programme to enhance parliamentary support of CEDAW and combat violence against women
30. Secure agreement on how parliaments should work in the IPU, adjust the structures and working methods accordingly and provide them with necessary resources
31. Provide resources to modernize IPU operations, notably by making more extensive and better use of new information and communication technology
32. Provide resources to implement gradually a communication strategy for the organization with emphasis on development of IPU website
33. Secure agreement among parliaments and States regarding IPU's role in international cooperation and, to this end, examine the possibility of concluding an international convention on the IPU and a new cooperation agreement with the United Nations