



**JOURNAL<sup>1</sup>**  
**Tuesday, 8 October 2013**

Time	Meeting	Place
9 a.m. – 10.30 a.m.	<b>Committee to promote respect for international humanitarian law</b>	<b>Room A</b> CCV Annexe, CICC (in camera)
9 a.m.–11 a.m.	<b>Assembly</b> <i>Debate on the emergency item:</i> The role of parliaments in supervising the ban on the use and the destruction of chemical weapons (Item 6) <i>Those geopolitical Groups which have not yet nominated their representatives to the Drafting Committee on the emergency item are kindly requested to do so by 9 a.m. today.</i>	<b>Room 1</b> level 1, CICC
9 a.m. – 11 a.m.	<b>Meeting of the Forum of Young Parliamentarians</b>	<b>Room B</b> CCV Annexe, CICC
9 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.	<b>Panel discussion</b> <i>The role of parliaments in protecting the rights of children, in particular unaccompanied migrant children, and in preventing their exploitation in situations of war and conflict</i> (subject under discussion by the Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights) – Presentation of the background papers prepared by the co-Rapporteurs – Introductory remarks by the panellists – Interactive discussion <i>co-Rapporteurs:</i> – Ms. Gabriela Cuevas, MP (Mexico) – Ms. Jameela Nasaif, MP (Bahrain) <i>Panellists:</i> – Mr. Mohamed Mattar, Executive Director of The Protection Project, Johns Hopkins University – Ms. Louise Aubin, Global Protection Cluster Coordinator, UNHCR	<b>Room 2</b> level 0, CICC
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.	<b>Panel discussion</b> <b><i>Addressing internal displacement: The responsibility of parliaments</i></b> Panellists include Mr. José Riera, Senior Adviser, UNHCR, Mr. Alfredo Zamudio, Director of the Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre (IDMC), and Mr. Ekwee Ethuro, Speaker of the Senate of Kenya. The panel will begin with the official launch of the joint IPU-UNHCR Handbook for Parliamentarians <i>Internal displacement: Responsibility and action</i> , in the presence of the President of the IPU.	<b>Rooms 3 &amp; 4</b> level 0, CICC

<sup>1</sup> Information as at 7 October, at 6 p.m.

11.15 a.m. – 1 p.m. and 2.30 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.	<b>Drafting Committee on the emergency item</b> ♦ <b>Nominations received</b> (as at 6 p.m. on 7 October): Burkina Faso, Finland, Germany, Mexico, Morocco, Saudi Arabia, Sweden, Uruguay, Zambia	<b>Room A</b> <b>CCV Annexe, CICC</b> <i>(in camera)</i>
2.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.	<b>Panel discussion</b> <b><i>Political party control over parliamentarians: Striking the right balance</i></b> <i>Moderator:</i> – Mr. Michael Gonzi, MP (Malta) <i>Panellists:</i> – Senator Michèle André (France) – Ms. Betty Amongi, MP and Party Whip (Uganda) – Mr. José Carlos Mahía, MP (Uruguay)	<b>Rooms 3 &amp; 4</b> <b>level 0, CICC</b>
2.30 p.m. – 6 p.m.	<b>Panel discussion</b> <i>Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: The contribution of parliaments</i> (subject under discussion by the Standing Committee on Peace and International Security) – Introductory remarks by the panellists – Presentation of the background papers prepared by the co-Rapporteurs – Interactive discussion <i>co-Rapporteurs:</i> – Mr. Blaine Calkins, MP (Canada) – Ms. Yolanda Ferrer Gómez, MP (Cuba) <i>Panellists:</i> – Ambassador Manuel Dengo (Costa Rica), Chair, UN Open-Ended Working Group on Nuclear Disarmament – Baroness Sue Miller, MP (United Kingdom) – Mr. Alyn Ware, Global Coordinator, Parliamentarians for Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament (PNND)	<b>Room 2</b> <b>level 0, CICC</b>
3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	<b>Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians</b>	<b>Room B</b> <b>CCV Annexe, CICC</b> <i>(in camera)</i>
4 p.m. – 5 p.m.	<b>Gender Partnership Group</b>	<b>Room A</b> <b>CCV Annexe, CICC</b> <i>(in camera)</i>
5 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.	<b>Executive Committee</b>	<b>Room A</b> <b>CCV Annexe, CICC</b> <i>(in camera)</i>
5 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.	<b>Advisory Group of the IPU Committee on United Nations Affairs</b>	<b>Room 18</b> <b>level -1, CICC</b> <i>(in camera)</i>

### Preview of main programme for Wednesday, 9 October

9 a.m. – 1 p.m.	<b>Governing Council</b> Consideration of the items remaining on the agenda, including: – Debate on, and adoption of, the programme and budget for 2014 – Resolutions of the Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians – Approval of the amendments to the Statutes and Rules of the IPU – Elections to the Executive Committee	<b>Room 1</b> <b>level 1, CICC</b>
10 a.m.	♦ Special debate on the humanitarian impact of the Syrian crisis, with the participation of Mr. António Guterres, UN High Commissioner for Refugees	

<b>9 a.m. – 1 p.m.</b>	<b>IPU Committee on United Nations Affairs</b> <i>Item 6: Promoting international commitments and defending the rights of vulnerable groups</i> <i>Moderator:</i> Ambassador Luis Gallegos (Ecuador)	<b>Room A CCV Annexe, CICC</b>
9 – 11 a.m.	♦ <b>Session 1: Indigenous peoples</b> <i>Special guests:</i> – Mr. Alexey Tsykarev, Member of the UN Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples – Ms. Manon Schick, Amnesty International	
11 a.m. – 1 p.m.	♦ <b>Session 2: Persons with disabilities</b> <i>Special guests:</i> – Ms. Hendrietta Bogopane, MP, Deputy Minister for Women, Children and Persons with Disability (South Africa) – Ms. Victoria Lee, International Disability Alliance	
<b>1.15 p.m.–2.30 p.m.</b>	<b>Working lunch for outgoing and incoming members of the Executive Committee to consider a number of organizational questions</b>	<b>Room A CCV Annexe, CICC</b>
<b>2.30 p.m.–4 p.m.</b>	<b>Governing Council</b> Completion of the Governing Council’s consideration of the items remaining on its agenda, including: – Adoption of the reports of IPU Committees and other bodies – Elections and appointments	<b>Room 1 level 1, CICC</b>
2.30 p.m.	♦ Address by Ms. Navanethem Pillay, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, followed by open debate	
<b>4 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.</b>	<b>Assembly – Closing sitting</b> – Item 5 – Amendments to the Statutes and Rules of the IPU – Item 6 – Emergency item: The role of parliaments in supervising the ban on the use and the destruction of chemical weapons	<b>Room 1 level 1, CICC</b>

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## OTHER INFORMATION

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***Delegates attending the post-Assembly meetings being held at the CICC on 10 October and at IPU headquarters on 10 to 12 October are kindly requested to keep their badges.***  
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**Introducing new online registration software:** Delegates are encouraged to visit the Press Service in the main lobby (ground floor, CICC) between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. today (Tuesday) or tomorrow (Wednesday) for an introduction to new software enabling delegates to register online for future IPU meetings.

- ♦ **List of delegates:** In order to ensure the accuracy of the final List of Delegates, delegations are kindly requested to report any changes to Ms. Marina Filippin at the Registration Desk by **10 a.m. today, 8 October**. The final List of Delegates will be made available on the IPU website.
- ♦ **Results of the 129<sup>th</sup> Assembly and related meetings:** All delegations will receive two printed copies of the Results of the Assembly. Members of the IPU are also reminded that the different sections of the Brochure will be accessible from the IPU website (<http://www.ipu.org>) two weeks after the close of the Assembly. In addition, a complete electronic version of the Results may be downloaded from the IPU website in PDF format.
- ♦ **Summary records of the Governing Council, those of the Assembly and the IPU Committee on United Nations Affairs, together with a record of the proceedings of the Standing Committees’ panel discussions,** will be posted on the IPU website within three months of the closure of the Assembly.

## MEDIA INFORMATION

- ♦ The 129<sup>th</sup> Assembly is being webcast live on [www.ipu.org](http://www.ipu.org).



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## VACANCIES TO BE FILLED DURING THE 129<sup>th</sup> ASSEMBLY

On 9 October 2013, the Governing Council will be required to hold elections as outlined below. Candidatures from the corresponding geopolitical Groups (a signed letter and a one-page curriculum vitae) may be submitted to the Submission and Control of Documents Service (Offices 224/225, level 2, CICG) up to 9 a.m. today, Tuesday, 8 October 2013. See [Vacancies](#) document for further details.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Governing Council will be required to elect **five members**: Asia-Pacific Group (two vacancies), Eurasia Group (one vacancy) and Twelve-Plus Group (two vacancies).

*To date the following candidatures have been received:*

- Mr. K. Dijkhoff (Netherlands): candidature submitted by the Twelve-Plus Group;
- Mr. R. Walter (United Kingdom): candidature submitted by the Twelve-Plus Group.

### SUBSIDIARY BODIES OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION

#### Committee on Middle East Questions

The Governing Council will be required to elect **one titular member** and **four substitute members**. According to the gender guidelines governing the composition of the Committee, no more than four of the seven members shall be of the same gender and as many of the geopolitical groups as possible shall be represented on the Committee. As such, the vacancy for titular member will need to be filled by a male parliamentarian and the four substitute vacancies by parliamentarians, both female and male.

*To date, the following candidatures have been received:*

- Mr. H. Franken (Netherlands): candidature as titular member submitted by the Twelve-Plus Group;
- Mr. G. Farina (Italy): candidature as substitute member submitted by the Twelve-Plus Group;
- Ms. C. Guittet (France): candidature as substitute member submitted by the Twelve-Plus Group;
- Mr. M. Sheerit (Israel): candidature as substitute member submitted by the Twelve-Plus Group.

#### Committee to promote respect for international humanitarian law

The Governing Council will be required to elect **one substitute member** (Eurasia Group).

*To date, no candidatures have been received.*

### APPOINTMENT OF TWO INTERNAL AUDITORS FOR THE 2014 ACCOUNTS

The Governing Council will appoint **two Internal Auditors** for the 2014 fiscal year. They will be expected to present their report to the Governing Council at the first statutory session of the IPU in 2015. Parliamentarians interested in submitting their candidature for this position should preferably have prior experience either in a parliamentary finance or audit committee.

*To date, the following candidature has been received:*

- Mr. K. Örnfjäder (Sweden): candidature submitted by the Twelve-Plus Group.

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