

129th ASSEMBLY OF THE INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION AND RELATED MEETINGS

Geneva, 7 – 9.10.2013

Provisional annotated agenda Meeting of Young Parliamentarians Tuesday, 8 October 2013 9 - 11 a.m. Room B, CCV Annexe, CICG

1. Objectives and activities of the young parliamentarians at the IPU

The meeting will review activities carried out at previous IPU Assemblies and activities planned at the 129th Assembly.

2. Rules and Working Modalities of the Forum of Young Parliamentarians

The meeting will discuss proposed Rules and Working Modalities of the Forum of Young Parliamentarians, including preliminary suggestions by members of the Task Force of Young MPs from Bahrain and South Africa.

3. Contribution to the work of the 129th Assembly

The meeting will take stock of the inclusion of a youth perspective in the Amendments to the IPU Statutes and Rules.

The meeting will also consider how to include a youth perspective in the proceedings and outcomes of the 129th Assembly.

Panel discussions will take place during the Assembly on the subject items chosen for debate by the Standing Committees:

- Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: The contribution of parliaments (Standing Committee on Peace and International Security);
- Towards risk-resilient development: Taking into consideration demographic trends and natural constraints (Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade);
- 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 (Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights);
- Interaction between national parliaments and UN country team; Follow-up of the Fourth UN Conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDC-IV); Implications of and action on the recently adopted Arms Trade Treaty; Implementing UN Security Council resolution 1540 (Non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction); and Promoting international commitments and defending the rights of vulnerable groups, with a focus on indigenous peoples and persons with disabilities (IPU Committee on United Nations Affairs).

In addition, two other panel discussions will be held during the 129th Assembly on: Internally Displaced Persons and Political Party Control over MPs.

4. Other business