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<td>8.30 a.m. – 10.30 a.m.</td>
<td>Coordinating Committee of Women Parliamentarians</td>
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<td>9 a.m. – 1 p.m. &amp; 2.30 p.m.</td>
<td>Governing Council</td>
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<td>2.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.</td>
<td>Panel discussion on Leading by example on climate change: A lighter carbon footprint for parliaments</td>
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**Governing Council**

The Governing Council will complete its consideration of items remaining on its agenda, including:

- Financial questions
- Reports and decisions concerning the human rights of parliamentarians
- Reports of committees and other bodies

It will hold the following elections:

- Election of two members to the Executive Committee
- Election of one member to the Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians
- Election of one titular member and one substitute member to the Committee on Middle East Questions
- Election of three members to the Committee to Promote Respect for International Humanitarian Law
- Election of one facilitator to the Group of Facilitators for Cyprus

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1 Information as at 6 p.m. on 22 March.
At the end of the Governing Council Assembly

- **Item 3:** General Debate on *Rejuvenating democracy, giving voice to youth*
  - Adoption of the outcome document

- **Item 4:** Terrorism: The need to enhance global cooperation against the threat to democracy and human rights (*Standing Committee on Peace and International Security*)
  - Adoption of the draft resolution

- **Item 5:** Ensuring lasting protection against destruction and deterioration for the tangible and intangible cultural heritage of humanity (*Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade*)
  - Adoption of the draft resolution

- **Item 6:** Reports of the Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights and the Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs

- **Item 7:** Approval of the subject items for the Standing Committee on Peace and International Security and for the Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade at the 136th IPU Assembly and appointment of rapporteurs

  *The role of parliament in preventing outside interference in the internal affairs of sovereign States* (*Standing Committee on Peace and International Security*)

  Co-Rapporteurs:  
  - Mr. K. Kosachev (Russian Federation)  
  - Ms. S. Koutra-Koukouma (Cyprus)

  *Promoting enhanced international cooperation on the SDGs, in particular on the financial inclusion of women as drivers of development* (*Standing Committee on Sustainable Development, Finance and Trade*)

  Co-Rapporteurs:  
  - Ms. P. Mahajan (India)  
  - Ms. G. Cuevas Barron (Mexico)

- Concluding remarks by representatives of the Geopolitical Groups

Closure of the Assembly

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**OTHER INFORMATION**

- **Print-on-demand service:** This service is available at the Typing Pool and Photocopying Service for those delegates who wish to obtain additional copies of any documents published on the IPU website.

- **PaperSmart survey for IPU delegates:** Delegates are encouraged to provide their feedback on the IPU’s PaperSmart initiative by completing the online survey at [http://fluidsurveys.com/s/papersmart/](http://fluidsurveys.com/s/papersmart/). Hard copies are available at the Registration Desk.

- **Focus groups on good practices in parliamentary oversight** will take place every afternoon. For the themes, times and language of the focus groups, see [http://fluidsurveys.com/s/oversight/](http://fluidsurveys.com/s/oversight/). Register online or at the IPU Submission and Control of Documents Service (ground floor, Old Wing, MICC) – each group is limited to the first eight people to sign up.

- **List of Participants:** The final List of Participants will be published on the IPU website ([http://www.ipu.org](http://www.ipu.org)).
• **Results of the 134th Assembly and related meetings**: 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 can be accessed from the IPU website (http://www.ipu.org) and downloaded in PDF format two weeks after the close of the Assembly.

• **Summary records of the Assembly, the Governing Council and the four Standing Committees** will be made available before the next Assembly.

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**MEDIA INFORMATION**

• The 134th Assembly is being webcast live on www.ipu.org and www.ipu134zambia.zm.

Join in the discussions at the Assembly on Twitter using #IPU134 (www.twitter.com/ipuparliament). Follow IPU on @IPUparliament, the Meeting of Women Parliamentarians on #WomenMPs and the Forum of Young Parliamentarians on #youngMPs.

Photos from the Assembly are available for free download and use at www.ipu.org/134pics. Please credit: Inter-Parliamentary Union.

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**VACANCIES TO BE FILLED AT THE 134th ASSEMBLY**

For more detailed information, please see Vacancies document. 

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Today, 23 March 2016, the Governing Council will hold elections as outlined below.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The Governing Council will be required to elect two members to replace members who are no longer parliamentarians: one member each for the African Group (end of term of office: October 2018) and the Arab Group (end of term of office: April 2017).

*The following candidatures have been received:*

– Ms. F. Benbadis (Algeria): candidature submitted by the African Group;
– Mr. A. Jasem Ahmed (United Arab Emirates): candidature submitted by the Parliament of the United Arab Emirates.

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**COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES**

**Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians**

The Governing Council will be required to elect one female member.

*The following candidature has been received:*

– Ms. D. Solórzano (Venezuela): candidature submitted by the Group of Latin America and the Caribbean (GRULAC).

**Committee on Middle East Questions**

The Governing Council will be required to elect one titular member and one substitute member.

*The following candidatures have been received:*

– Ms. C. Guittet (France): candidature as titular member submitted by the Twelve Plus Group;
– Mr. M. Al Muhrizi (United Arab Emirates): candidature as titular member submitted by the Federal National Council of the United Arab Emirates.

**Committee to Promote Respect for International Humanitarian Law**

The Governing Council will be required to elect three members: one member (male) each for the African Group and the Eurasia Group; and one member (female) for the Arab Group.

*The following candidatures have been received:*

– Mr. A.C. Duval (Mauritius): candidature submitted by the African Group;
– Ms. M. Haj Hassan Osman (Sudan): candidature submitted by the Arab Group.

**Group of Facilitators for Cyprus**

The Governing Council will be required to elect one facilitator.

*The following candidature has been received:*

– Mr. J. de Matos Rosa (Portugal): candidature submitted by the Twelve Plus Group.

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