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## Draft agenda

1. **Adoption of the agenda**
2. **Approval of the summary record of the Committee's session held during the 136<sup>th</sup> IPU Assembly in Dhaka (April 2017)**
3. **Elections to the Bureau**

The Committee will fill the existing vacancies on the Bureau, based on proposals from the geopolitical groups.

4. **Parliamentary contribution to the 2017 UN Climate Change Conference**

On 12 November, a Parliamentary Meeting co-organized by the IPU, the Parliament of Fiji and the German Bundestag will take on the occasion of COP23 in Bonn. The Committee will be briefed on practical arrangements for the Meeting. Committee members will also exchange views on a draft outcome document.

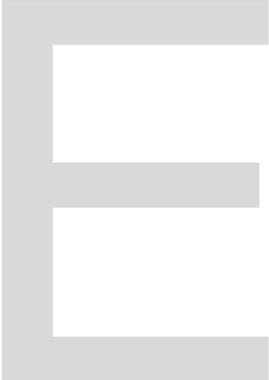
5. **Debate on *Engaging the private sector in implementing the SDGs, especially on renewable energy***

This debate will be organized around the theme of the Committee resolution, which is expected to be adopted at the 138<sup>th</sup> Assembly in Geneva. The debate will provide the Committee with an opportunity to exchange views on effective ways to engage the private sector in SDG implementation. Special emphasis will be placed on renewable energy as a sustainable, reliable, resilient and affordable way to ensure universal access to energy and fight climate change. The debate will also provide the co-Rapporteurs with initial information about how IPU Member Parliaments approach this issue.

6. **Panel discussion on *Using science and research to achieve the highest health standards***

Without scientific knowledge, it is hard to have public health legislation and policy that makes sense. However, it is increasingly recognized that the development of evidence-informed health policy is not only a technical problem of knowledge exchange or translation, but is also a political challenge. The panel will discuss ways in which parliaments can bridge this gap and ensure that health laws and policies, and their implementation, are continuously informed by robust scientific findings.

7. **Any other business**



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