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International Workshop

10 October 2007 - International Telecommunication Union (ITU)

e-Parliament: managing innovation

MORNING SESSIONS

08.30 am - 09.00 am	Registration
09.00 am - 09.15 am	<p><i>Welcoming remarks</i> Gherardo Casini, Executive Coordinator, Global Centre for ICT in Parliament</p>
09:15 am - 11.00 am	<p><i>Session 1 - Managing knowledge and innovation in Parliament</i> Chair: Geoffrey Q.M. Doidge, House Chairperson: Committees, National Assembly of South Africa</p> <p><i>Presentations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donna Scheeder, Director of the Law Library, US Congress and representative of the IFLA Section Library and Research Services for Parliament • Jõao Viegas d'Abreu, Director ICT, National Assembly of Portugal and Chair of the ECPRD Working Group on ICT <p><i>Open discussion</i></p>
11.00 am - 11:30 am	Coffee break
11.30 am - 01.00 pm	<p><i>Session 2 - Using open standards to share knowledge and information</i> Chair: Jeff Griffith, Senior Advisor, Global Centre for ICT in Parliament</p> <p><i>Presentations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Giovanni Sartor, Professor of Legal Informatics and Legal Theory, European University Institute • Günther Schefbeck, Head of the Parliamentary Documentation Department, Parliament of Austria <p><i>Open discussion</i></p>
01.00 pm - 02:30 pm	Lunch break

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AFTERNOON SESSIONS

02.30 pm - 04.00 pm	<p>Session 3 - Collaborative software and content development</p> <p>Chair: Mincho Spassov, Member of Parliament, National Assembly of Bulgaria and President of IPAIT</p> <p>Presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Armando Roberto Cerchi Nascimento, Senior ICT Adviser, Secretary of Information and Documentation, Federal Senate of Brazil• Flavio Zeni, Chief Technical Adviser, Africa i-Parliaments Action Plan, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs <p>Open discussion</p>
04.00 pm - 04:30 pm	Coffee break
04.30 pm - 06.00 pm	<p>Session 4 - Are legislators and citizens ready for new technologies?</p> <p>Chair: Eliza Roszkowska Öberg, Member of the Committee on Transport and Communications, Parliament of Sweden</p> <p>Presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vasilis Koulolias, Executive Director, Gov2U• Ivar Tallo, Senior Programme Officer, United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) <p>Open discussion</p>
06.00 pm	<p>Closing remarks</p> <p>Gherardo Casini, Executive Coordinator of the Global Centre for ICT in Parliament</p>



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08.30 am - 09.00 am

Registration

09.00 am - 10.00 am

Welcoming Addresses

- **Anders Johnsson**, Secretary General of the Inter-Parliamentary Union
- **Sha Zukang**, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations
- **Anders Forsberg**, President of the Association of Secretaries General of Parliaments and Secretary General of the Parliament of Sweden

Keynote Address

- **Stefano Rodotà**, Professor of Law, University of Rome "La Sapienza"

10.00 am - 11.30 am

Session 1: Leadership and vision for ICT in Parliament

Chair: **Georgeta Ionescu**, Secretary General, Chamber of Deputies of Romania

Interventions:

- **Zingile A. Dingani**, Secretary General, Parliament of South Africa
- **Alessandro Palanza**, Deputy Secretary General, Chamber of Deputies of Italy

Open discussion

11.30 am - 01.00 pm

Session 2: ICT in Parliament: organizational challenges

Chair: **Albert Kushti**, Secretary General, Parliament of Albania

Interventions:

- **Joan Miller**, Director of Parliamentary ICT, Parliament of the United Kingdom
- **Roberto Reale**, Advisor to the President of the Senate and Coordinator of the Institutional Strengthening Programme, Senate of Argentina

Open discussion

01.00 pm - 03.00 pm

Lunch break



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03.00 pm - 04.30 pm

Session 3: Parliamentary information systems: partnering to build high quality and sustainable information services

Chair: **Santiago Gonzalez Barboni**, Second Secretary, Chamber of Senators of Uruguay

Interventions:

- **João Luiz Pereira Marciano**, Advisor to the Head of the IT Department, Chamber of Deputies of Brazil
- **Jeff Griffith**, Senior Advisor, Global Centre for ICT in Parliament

Open discussion

04.30 pm - 06.00 pm

Session 4: Challenges and opportunities of the Internet in enhancing the dialogue between parliaments and citizens

Chair: **Joseph Owona Kono**, Member of Parliament, National Assembly of Cameroon

Interventions:

- **Uwe Serdult**, Managing Director of the Research Centre on Direct Democracy, University of Geneva
- **Thomas Buchsbaum**, Chair of the ad hoc Committee on e-Democracy, Council of Europe

Open discussion

06.00 pm

Closing remarks

- **Anders Johnsson**, Secretary General of the Inter-Parliamentary Union
- **Anders Forsberg**, President of the Association of Secretaries General of Parliaments and Secretary General of the Parliament of Sweden
- **Gherardo Casini**, Executive Coordinator of the Global Centre for ICT in Parliament

* Coffee and tea will be available outside the conference hall during the plenary

Meeting of the **Global Network of IT Experts in Parliament**

12 October 2007 - Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU)

08:30 am – 09:00 am	Registration
09.00 am - 09.30 am	Overview of the Global Network <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goals and objectives of the Global Network • Developments to date • Vision for the future
09.30 am - 11.00 am	Scope of expertise and best practices to exchange <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Areas of Expertise • Suggested topics <p><i>Open discussion</i></p>
11.00 am - 11:30 am	Coffee break
11.30 am - 01.00 pm	Modalities of networking and experience sharing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feedback on the current platform • Solutions enhancements • Alternative ways of networking and exchanging <p><i>Open discussion</i></p>
01.00 pm - 02:30 pm	Lunch break
02.30 pm - 04.00 pm	The way forward <p><i>Open discussion</i></p>
04.00 pm - 04.30 pm	Closing remarks

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