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Taking Democracy to Task

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Provisional programme

Friday, 10 October

08:00 – 18:00 Registration of delegates

09:30 – 10:00 Opening session
- Mr. Abdelwahad Radi, IPU President
- Mr. M. Haruhisa Handa, Chairman of WSD

10:00 – 10:30 The right to participate without discrimination: Translating principles into reality
Introductory remarks by:
- Mr. Ahmad Alhendawi, United Nations Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth
- Ms. Marija Lugaric, Member of Parliament, Rapporteur of the IPU resolution on Youth participation in the Democratic Process (Croatia)

10:30 – 10:45 Coffee-break

10:45 – 11:15 Taking stock: IPU analysis of youth participation in parliament
Presentation by:
- Ms. Mona Lena Krook, Professor, IPU consultant

Debate

11:15 – 13:00 Barriers to young people entering politics
Presentations by:
- Ms. Anette Trettebergstuen, Member of Parliament (Norway)
- Mr. Faisal Al Tenaiji, Member of Parliament (UAE)
- Mr. Diego Vintimilla, Member of Parliament (Ecuador)
- Ms. Betty Amongi, Member of Parliament (Uganda)
- Member of Parliament from Asia - TBC

Debate

Are young women facing double discrimination based on age and sex?
Presentation by:
- Ms. Mona Lena Krook, Professor, IPU consultant

Debate

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch break

14:30 – 15:30 Is it true that young people are apathetic, apolitical and angry citizens?
Interactive panel discussion moderated by:
- Mr. Jamil Chade, UN and European correspondent for the Brazilian daily O Estado de Sao Paulo in Geneva

15:30 – 15:45 Coffee-break

15:45 – 17:30 Youth movements and platforms as a stepping stone to parliament
Presentations by:
- Ms. Tania González Peñas, Podemos Party, Member of the European Parliament (Spain)
- Mr. Moutaz Abu Rumman, Member of Parliament (Jordan)
- Ms. Birgitta Jónsdóttir, Pirate Party, Member of Parliament (Iceland)

Debate

17:30 Cocktail reception
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| 09:00 – 10:30 | How to open up politics and parliament to young people? The win-win scenario | Presentations by:  
|             |                                                                      | Ms. Mona Lena Krook, Professor, IPU consultant  
|             |                                                                      | Ms. Zeina Hilal, Programme Officer (IPU)  
|             |                                                                  | Debate |
| 10:30 – 11:30 | How to maintain youth participation on the international agenda? | Presentations by:  
|             |                                                                      | Mr. Ahmad Alhendawi, United Nations Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth  
|             |                                                                      | Mr. Yves Leterme, Secretary General of International IDEA  
|             |                                                                      | Mr. Klaas Dijkhoff, Member of Parliament (Netherlands)  
|             |                                                                  | Debate |
| 11:30 – 12:30 | Wrap-up session                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 12:30 – 14:30 | Lunch break                                                           |                                                                                       |
| 14:30 – 16:30 | Young Leaders                                                        | Interactive session between young parliamentarians and young leaders from other walks of life, moderated by:  
|             |                                                                      | Mr. Jamil Chade, UN and European correspondent for the Brazilian daily O Estado de Sao Paulo in Geneva  
| 16:30 – 17:30 | Closing session                                                      | Presentation and adoption of the outcome document  
|             |                                                                      |                                                                                       |