

Geneva, 16 May 2016

Dear Madam President, Dear Mr. President,

Following the initial letter dated 29 February 2016, we are pleased to inform you that registration is now open for the next World e-Parliament Conference, which will be hosted by the National Congress of Chile in Valparaiso on 28-30 June 2016.

With input from numerous parliaments and experts, we have designed an exciting and participative conference agenda. Delegates will have the opportunity to debate substantive policy issues about the development of openness and participation in parliamentary work, and to examine ways to advance inter-parliamentary cooperation so that the benefits of ICT can be shared by all.

The policy discussions will be completed by a wide range of technical discussions and workshops covering recent innovations in parliamentary web sites, social media channels and document management systems.

As you know, the conference will also be the venue for the launch of the 2016 edition of the World e-Parliament Report, based on data from more than 100 parliamentary chambers.

The full package of conference documentation, including the agenda and details of how to register, is available at www.ipu.org/wepr2016 and www.wepc2016.org. Interested parties can already begin to exchange information using the Twitter hashtag #eParliament.

We welcome the participation at the World e-Parliament Conference 2016 of members of parliament, secretaries general and parliamentary ICT staff. Parliaments are encouraged to send gender-balanced delegations. Other participants in the conference will include experts from civil society, academia, the private sector and international organizations.

Parliaments are kindly asked to register their delegations online by Friday 27 May. We look forward to seeing you in Valparaiso.

Yours sincerely,

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