



Eighth IPU Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians 15 and 16 June 2022, Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt

To: Presidents of IPU Groups

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Dear Madam President, Dear Mr. President.

We are pleased to invite you to the Eighth IPU Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians to be held in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt, on 15 and 16 June 2022. The theme of the Conference will be *Young MPs for climate action*. The Conference is being jointly organized by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and the Egyptian House of Representatives.

The IPU's annual Global Conferences of Young Parliamentarians are unique platforms for young members of parliament to get together, exchange, learn and define common and innovative strategies to advance youth empowerment. Since 2014, the Global Conferences have addressed topical issues linked to youth empowerment and have provided policy orientation in areas such as political participation, peace and security, the Sustainable Development Goals, social and economic inclusion, education and employment, well-being, and the COVID-19 pandemic recovery.

The eighth edition of the Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians will pursue these efforts by reflecting on what may be the most pressing and existential issue requiring strong international responses: the fight to mitigate and adapt to climate change.

We are pleased to invite you to send a delegation of up to four of your young MPs (upper age limit of 45 years) to attend the Conference. In order to benefit from a balanced range of views, we encourage you to send a gender-balanced delegation. We also encourage you to include the youngest members of your Parliament in the delegation.

The Conference will be a platform to empower young MPs with greater knowledge on the international effort to address climate change, the sharing of policies and parliamentary actions to confront the crisis, and the coordination of solutions to ensure that the planet and human rights are protected. Case studies on topics such as the role of parliament in adopting legislation related to climate change, providing oversight, and harnessing the voices of civil society will be presented. Examples of innovative measures taken by parliaments, such as environmental impact assessments in state budgets, and the increasing number of parliaments adapting to be more environmentally sustainable will also be showcased. Delegations are therefore encouraged to come prepared with examples of good practices from their home countries to share with their colleagues.

Please find attached additional information related to the Conference, a concept note, and a preliminary agenda. Registration can be completed at the following link: https://registration.ipu.org/d/28qvlb/. We would be grateful if you could complete your Parliament's registration by 13 May 2022.

We look forward to hearing from you and to welcoming the young parliamentarians to Sharm el-Sheikh.

Yours sincerely,

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