





Ninth IPU Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians

The role of youth in accelerating the achievement of the SDGs through digital transformation and innovation

15-17 September 2023, Hanoi (Viet Nam)

Final Programme

Thursday, 14 September		
14:00–16:30	Seminar: "Strengthening digital capacity for the youth: Case of Viet Nam" Hosted by the Ho Chi Minh Communist Youth Union Venue: Dien Hong Chamber, The Viet Nam National Assembly House	
17:30-18:00	Opening of the exhibition on innovation and OCOP products Venue: Banquet Hall (1st Floor), National Convention Center (NCC)	
18:30	Gala dinner hosted by Mr. Vuong Dinh Hue, President of Viet Nam National Assembly Venue: JW Marriott Hotel Hanoi	
	Friday, 15 September	
09:00–10:30	Opening ceremony Venue: Banquet Room (1st Floor), National Convention Center	
	Chairperson : Ms. Emma Tangi Muteka, MP, Namibia, Member of the IPU Board of the Forum of Young Parliamentarians	
	Master of Ceremonies: Ms. Thai Quynh Mai Dung, Member of the Viet Nam National Assembly	
	 Opening remarks H.E. Mr. Vuong Dinh Hue, President of the Viet Nam National Assembly H.E. Mr. Vo Van Thuong, President of Viet Nam (video message) H.E. Mr. Duarte Pacheco, President of the IPU Hon. Mr. Dan Carden, Member of Parliament of the United Kingdom and President of the Board of the IPU Forum of Young Parliamentarians H.E. Mr. Martin Chungong, Secretary General of the IPU Hon. Mr. Nguyen Anh Tuan, President of the Young Parliamentarians Group of the Viet Nam National Assembly 	
	Keynote addresses: Implementation of the SDGs and the role of digital transformation and innovation • Ms. Trinh Thi Tu Anh, Member of the Viet Nam National Assembly • Mr. Tomas Lamanauskas, Deputy Secretary-General of the ITU (video message)	
10:30–10:45	Group photo	
10:45–11:00	Tea break	
11:00–12:30	Session 1: Digital transformation Venue: Banquet Room (1st Floor), National Convention Center	
	Chairperson: Mr. Lord Fakafanua, Speaker of Parliament, Tonga, Member of the IPU Board of the Forum of Young Parliamentarians	

Presentations by Hon, Mr. Dan Carden, Member of Parliament of the United Kingdom and President of the Board of the IPU Forum of Young Parliamentarians Ms. Cynthia Lopez Castro, MP, Mexico, President of the IPU Forum of Women **Parliamentarians** Mr. Luu Ba Mac, Member of Viet Nam National Assembly Ms. Yetunde Bakare, Manager, YIAGA Africa Mr. Walter Cervini, MP, Uruguay (video message) This session will look at the following topics: (i) improving institutions and policies to promote digital transformation to enhance sustainable economic development opportunities; (ii) sharing experiences on national parliaments' legislation and oversight, and the role of young parliamentarians in promoting the digital transformation in the context of the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR); and (iii) sharing experiences on the progress made in parliamentary digital transformation for sustainable development. Presentations by panellists will be followed by a debate. 12:30-13:30 Venue: Room 313 (3rd Floor), National Convention Center, reserved for MPs Venue: Room 318 (3rd Floor), National Convention Center, reserved for staff 13:30-14:30 **Session 1: Digital transformation (continued)** Chairperson: Mr. Mohamed Anouar Bouchouit, MP, Algeria, Member of the IPU Board of the Forum of Young Parliamentarians Presentations by Mr. Marius Matijošaitis, MP, Lithuania Mr. John Methu, MP, Kenya Mr. Brando Benifei, Member of the European Parliament (video message) The session will discuss: (i) proposals of policies and solutions, particularly those on institutional improvement for innovation, new pilot models, new applications and new digital platforms to accelerate digital transformation; (ii) the dissemination of digital connectivity; raising digital, cultural and skills awareness for people; and (iii) narrowing the digital gaps and ensuring equitable access to technology towards the goal of "no one is left behind" in the digital environment to ensure sustainable development. Presentations by panellists will be followed by a debate and an exchange of good practices. 14:30-15:00 Tea break 15:00-17:00 Session 2: Innovation and startups Venue: Banquet Room (1st Floor), National Convention Center Chairperson: Mr. Wilson Soto Palacios, MP, Peru, Member of the IPU Board of the Forum of Young Parliamentarians Presentations by Mr. Denis Naughten, MP, Ireland, Chairperson of the IPU Working Group on Science and Technology Mr. Nguyen Thanh Trung, Founder, CEO, Sky Mavis Ms. Tingyu Yuan, Manager, HICOOL Mr. Benjam Gebrezghi, Specialist, Civil Society and Youth, Governance and Peace Building Team, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) This session will deal with the following: (i) the improvement of institutions and policies in the promotion of innovation and startups (including youth related startups) as a driving force for inclusive and sustainable development, including food technology (foodtech); (ii) sharing experiences on national parliaments' legislation and oversight, and the role of young parliamentarians to promote innovation and startups; (iii) exchange and discussion on the development of artificial intelligence to accelerate the achievement of the SDGs;

and (iv) recommendations to parliaments on how to build institutions and draft policies to mitigate artificial intelligence related risks.
Presentations by panellists will be followed by a debate and an exchange of good practices.
Free time

	Saturday, 16 September
09:00-10:30	Session 3: Promoting respect for cultural diversity in support of sustainable development.
	Venue: Banquet Room (1st Floor), National Convention Center
	Chairperson: Mr. Kamal Ait Mik, MP, Morocco, Member of the IPU Board of the Forum of Young Parliamentarians
	This session will focus on the role of parliaments and young parliamentarians in promoting respect for cultural diversity during a time of technological transition and globalization will be examined. This includes: (i) digital cooperation founded on ethics and mitigating unwanted implications of digital transformation for privacy, security, and well-being; (ii) promoting the role of culture in development policies at national, regional and international levels; (iii) commitment to protecting and promoting cultural diversity and creating a favourable environment and ecosystem for culture and cultural diversity; and (iv) the role of culture and cultural diversity in sustainable development.
	 Presentations by Dr. Maurizio Bona, Former Advisor to the Director-General of CERN, Professor at University of Pavia, Italy Ms. Gabriela Ramos, Assistant Director-General for Social and Human Sciences,
	 UNESCO (video message) Prof. Jean Tran Thanh Van, President of the Rencontres du Vietnam, and Director of ICISE Center
	 Mr. Bui Hoai Son, Member of the Viet Nam National Assembly Mr. Andy Williamson, Senior Researcher, Centre for Innovation in Parliament, Inter-Parliamentary Union (video message)
	 Mr. Miguel Angel Moratinos, High Representative for the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (video message)
10:30–11:00	Presentations by panellists. Tea break
11:00–12:00	
11:00-12:00	Session 3: Promoting respect for cultural diversity in support of sustainable development (continued)
	Debate and an exchange of good practices
12:00–13:30	Lunch Venue: Room 313 (3rd Floor), National Convention Center, reserved for MPs Venue: Room 318 (3rd Floor), National Convention Center, reserved for staff
14:00–16:00	Closing session Venue: Banquet Hall (1st Floor), National Convention Center
	Chairperson : Ms. Dyah Roro Esti, MP, Indonesia, Member of the IPU Board of the Forum of Young Parliamentarians
	Presentation of Report of Seminar "Strengthening digital capacity for the youth: Case of Viet Nam"
	 Mr. Nguyen Minh Triet, Secretary of the Ho Chi Minh Communist Youth Union Central Committee
	Presentation of Summary reports of three sessions
	 Mr. Hoang Minh Hieu, Member of the Viet Nam National Assembly Ms. Tran Khanh Thu, Member of the Viet Nam National Assembly

	Ms. Nguyen Thi Ha, Member of the Viet Nam National Assembly	
	Presentation and adoption of the Conference Statement The role of youth in accelerating the achievement of the SDGs through digital transformation and innovation.	
	 Ms. Ha Anh Phuong, Member of the Viet Nam National Assembly Mr. Dan Carden, Member of Parliament of the United Kingdom and President of the Board of the IPU Forum of Young Parliamentarians Closing speeches Mr. Duarte Pacheco, President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union 	
	Mr. Vuong Dinh Hue, President of the National Assembly of Vietnam	
19:30	Culture night Venue: Main Meeting Hall (2nd Floor), National Convention Center	
Sunday, 17 September		
06:30–18:30	Visit to Quang Ninh Province and Ha Long Bay (Separate detailed programme)	
Evening	Free time	
	Departure of delegates	
Monday, 18 September		
	Departure of delegates	