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ParlAmericas participates in the 8th Dialogue on Action for Climate Empowerment in the Americas and the Caribbean

Member of the National Assembly Ana Belén Marín (Ecuador), President of the ParlAmericas Parliamentary Network on Climate Change participated as a panelist in the [8th Dialogue on Action for Climate Empowerment](#) in the Americas and the Caribbean hosted by the Secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), in collaboration with United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the United Nations Alliance on Education, Training and Public Awareness on September 23, 2020.

This dialogue brought together government officials, United Nations and inter-governmental organizations, non-governmental organizations, and academia to advance the discussions on recommendations and views on future work to enhance implementation of Action for Climate Empowerment (ACE) which denotes work under Article 6 of the UNFCCC and Article 12 of the Paris Agreement (2015) and their six elements: Climate Change Education, Training, Public Awareness, Public Access to Information, Public Participation, and International Cooperation on these issues.

Member of the National Assembly Ana Belén Marín presented on the importance of ACE policy coherence across all branches of government and further integrating parliaments in these efforts: “parliamentarians are in a unique position to influence the national agenda, disseminate information to our constituents, create spaces and channels for public participation in the development of legislation, legislative studies or political oversight, and contribute to national initiatives while always keeping in mind the needs and concerns of citizens in our respective districts. Moreover, through our oversight function, parliamentarians also have an important role in monitoring the implementation of ACE at the national level and, in this way, guaranteeing that these programs and initiatives are effective and leave no one behind.”

This dialogue took place as part of a series of regional dialogues across the world and will inform the negotiation at the 52nd session of UNFCCC Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) which is responsible for monitoring and reviewing the implementation of the [Doha Work Programme on Article 6 of the UNFCCC](#).

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