AGENDA

Session co-organized with International IDEA in the framework of the
Second Gathering of the ParlAmericas Parliamentary Network on Security

Democratic Security in Latin America and the Caribbean:
Legislative Responses to Organized Crime and Cybercrime

Wednesday, October 21, 2026 | 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

National Congress – Chile

This session will contribute to regional parliamentary dialogue on democratic security in Latin America and the Caribbean, examining how organized crime and its emerging digital dynamics impact democratic institutions, the rule of law, and public trust. The discussion will also address legislative responses, comparative experiences, and opportunities for cooperation in addressing organized crime and cybercrime.

Agenda:

09:30 - 09:45 **Welcome coffee**

09:45 - 10:00 **Welcoming remarks**
Location: Salón de Honor in the National Congress

- Member of the Chamber of Deputies **Luis Fernando Sánchez** (Chile)
- **Ricardo Mena**, Programme Officer for Chile and the South Cone, International IDEA
- **Alisha Todd**, Director General, ParlAmericas
- H.E. **Claudia Gintersdorfer**, Ambassador of the European Union to Chile

10:00 - 10:20 **Opening keynote presentation**
This session will offer a high-level political reflection to open the dialogue, providing a comparative perspective on democratic security, transnational crime, the rule of law, and cooperation between the regions of Europe and Latin America and the Caribbean.

Presenter:

- **Josep Borrell**, President of the Barcelona Centre for International Affairs (CIDOB), former High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice-President of the European Commission, and former President of the European Parliament

10:20 - 11:55 **Panel – Democratic Security in Latin America and the Caribbean: Legislative Responses to Organized Crime and Cybercrime**

The panel will seek to deepen and complement the framework presented in the opening keynote, addressing the relationship between organized crime, cybercrime, democracy, and legislative responses.

Moderator:

- **Luis Rojas**, Secretary General, Senate of Chile

Panellists:

- Member of Parliament **Lyndon Lewis** (Sint Maarten)
- **Aluna Serrano**, Programme Officer for Latin America and the Caribbean, International IDEA
- **Leonardo Soto**, Former Member of the Chamber of Deputies of Chile

11:55 - 12:00 **Closing remarks**

- Honourable **Roberto Zúñiga** (Panama), First Vice-President for Central America of the ParlAmericas Parliamentary Network on Security

12:00 Lunch