

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

Interparliamentary Meeting *Beyond Borders: Regional Security Strategies*

Congress of the Republic of Peru
July 10 and 11, 2024

Wednesday, July 10, 2024

08:00 - 08:30 Transfer of participants to the Congress of the Republic of Peru

09:00 - 09:30 **Inauguration**

- Authorities of the Congress of the Republic of Peru
- ParlAmericas representative

09:30 - 10:30 **Keynote Address – Multidimensional Security in the Americas and the Caribbean: Traditional and Emerging Threats**

10:30 - 11:00 Official Photograph and Coffee Break

11:00 - 12:30 **Session 2 - Roundtable Discussion: Parliamentary Perspectives on Security**

Given the increasingly complex regional security landscape, the role of parliament has become significant in contributing to the development of security sector governance models that respond to new challenges and threats, and that promote peace, stability, and integration.

In this session, the panelists will share their reflections on the security situation in the hemisphere and the role of the Legislative Branch.

12:30 - 14:00 Lunch

14:00 - 15:30 **Session 3 - Panel Discussion: Security and Defence: Contributions to Peace**

Security and defence policies should prioritize the prevention and resolution of conflicts and the consolidation of peace and coexistence. To achieve this, civil society contributions, especially from historically marginalized groups, are crucial for developing national security and defence policies that address the underlying causes of insecurity and instability.

This panel will analyze key strategies to foster approaches to addressing security and defence that are democratic, inclusive, and promote peace, sustainable development, and well-being.

15:30 - 17:00 Session 4 - Panel Discussion: Citizen Security: Rebuilding Trust

Citizen security, one of the main concerns of the inhabitants of the Americas and the Caribbean, involves not only reducing crime but also developing comprehensive and multifaceted strategies founded on democratic governance, human rights, and the rule of law. These strategies should aim to improve quality of life.

In this session, panellists will discuss strategies to strengthen public trust in institutions and to promote social cohesion, which are indispensable to safer, more inclusive, and peaceful societies.

17:00 - 17:30 Conclusions from Day 1

17:30 Transfer of participants to the hotel

Thursday, July 11, 2024

08:00 - 08:30 Transfer of participants to the Congress of the Republic of Peru

09:00 - 10:45 Session 5 - Roundtable Discussion: National Security in an Era of Digital Threats

In our increasingly interconnected world, there exists a complex array of digital threats to national security that pose further challenges to peace and stability. In this context, it is crucial to develop and update national cyberdefense systems to respond to the constant evolution of cyberterrorism and cybercrime, and their various manifestations.

In this session, panellists will share their insights on the state of cybersecurity in the hemisphere and discuss strategies and best practices for addressing emerging digital threats to national security.

10:45 – 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 - 12:30 Session 6 - Panel Discussion: Cyberviolence: Legislative Actions to Create Safe Digital Spaces

Cyberviolence, in its many forms, is a rising phenomenon that disproportionately impacts women and youth both within and beyond cyberspaces.

This session will analyze cyberviolence and the main legislative strategies for its prevention, classification, and sanctioning, referencing the Model Law on Gender Violence Facilitated by New Technologies being developed by the Follow-Up

Mechanism to the Implementation of the Belém do Pará Convention on Violence Against Women.

12:30 - 14:00 Lunch

14:00 - 16:30 **Session 7 - Presentation and Working Groups: Regional Cooperation on Security**

Latin America and the Caribbean is a region particularly affected by organized crime groups that operate transnationally and are associated with severe levels of violence. The United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime serves as an international instrument that provides key tools to advance regional efforts to inhibit transnational criminal organizations.

This session will include a presentation on the Convention and its supplementary protocols—concerning migrants, human trafficking, and firearms—from a legislative perspective, to be followed by working groups.

16:30 - 16:45 Evaluations, closing, and words of thanks

17:00 Transfer of participants to the hotel



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