

Agenda

Bridging the Divide: Legislative lessons for policy making in polarized contexts



Thursday, Oct 20 2022

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A. 08:00 (UTC - 05:00)	B. 09:00 (UTC - 04:00)	C. 10:00 (UTC - 03:00)	D. 17:00 (UTC + 04:00)	E. 20:00 (UTC + 07:00)
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Societies across the globe are increasingly polarized and Parliaments are not the exception. However, legislators, as representatives of the people and of an institution that fundamentally involves debating and approving legislation, are in a better position to listen to each other and reach consensus that comprehensively and effectively address demands from the citizenry. How is it possible to reach legislative consensus on divisive issues while respecting differences among stakeholders? What are the best strategies for conducting inclusive and participatory debates in Parliaments? Through the experience of distinguished legislators from different parts of the world, this session will seek to address these and other questions and thus support parliaments to explore different opportunities that contribute to building consensus in the margins of the Global Legislative Openness Week – GLOW.

08:00 – 08:05	09:00 – 09:05	10:00 – 10:05	17:00 – 17:05	20:00 – 20:05
Welcoming Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Alonso Cerdan, Deputy Director and Regional Lead – Americas, OGP <p><i>The Global Legislative Openness Week – GLOW foster by OPeN is a great opportunity to showcase valuable efforts made by the open parliament community around the world as well as keep continue the dialogue on this agenda alive.</i></p>				
08:05 – 08:55	09:05 – 09:55	10:05 – 10:55	17:05 – 17:55	20:05 – 20:55
High-Level Panel: Building Parliamentary Consensus Moderator: María Barón , Global Executive Director, Directorio Legislativo <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hon. Ledia Hanifa (Indonesia), House of Representatives ● Senator Saphire Longmore (Jamaica), ParlAmericas Board Member ● Irina Pruidze (Georgia), Former Member of Parliament ● Member of the National Assembly Gabriel Silva (Panama) <p><i>Legislative openness efforts led by parliaments with the support of international and civil society organizations across the globe has demanded political consensus over topics related to transparency, accountability, citizen participation, and ethics and probity which would have not been possible without the commitment of key parliamentary stakeholders and their willing to have an open dialogue to foster this agenda. These lessons are crucial to bridging the divide and build political consensus over different topics nationally, especially when it comes to contexts with a high polarization. This high-level panel will explore these lessons learned and how investing in open parliament also path the way to a more inclusive and participatory debates within legislatures.</i></p>				
08:55 – 09:10	09:55 – 10:10	10:55 – 11:10	17:55 – 18:10	20:55 – 21:10
Q&A session				
09:10 – 09:15	10:10 – 10:15	11:10 – 11:15	18:10 – 18:15	21:10 – 21:15
Closing Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● María Barón, Global Executive Director, Directorio Legislativo 				