

Preliminary Agenda

Inter-Parliamentary Dialogue 18th ParlAmericas Plenary Assembly: Rebuilding the Social Contract



November 26, 2021 | 10:30 (UTC – 4:00)

A. 08:30 (UTC – 06:00)	B. 09:30 (UTC – 05:00)	C. 10:30 (UTC – 04:00)		D. 11:30 (UTC – 03:00)
Belize	The Bahamas Haiti Jamaica Ottawa, Canada Washington DC, United States of America	Antigua and Barbuda Barbados Dominica Grenada Guyana	Saint Kitts and Nevis Saint Lucia Saint Vincent and the Grenadines Trinidad and Tobago	Suriname

The health and socio-economic crisis generated by the COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated the already notorious inequalities existing in the hemisphere, has deepened citizen distrust in institutions, and has given rise to growing social discontent, which have manifested in various ways including social mobilization and widespread protests across the region.

Recognizing the complexity of these issues, the inter-parliamentary dialogue session will offer a space for discussion and exchange of good legislative practices regarding the role of parliaments in restoring public trust in institutions, the public policies that are required to overcome the difficult socio-economic crisis in the hemisphere, and the regional integration initiatives required to undergo the post-pandemic recovery processes.

A. 08:30 – 08:45 B. 09:30 – 09:45 C. 10:30 – 10:45 D. 11:30 – 11:45	 Welcoming remarks Senator Ximena Rincón (Chile), President of the Senate and host of the Plenary Assembly Senator Blanca Ovelar (Paraguay), President of ParlAmericas
A. 08:45 – 09:00 B. 09:45 – 10:00 C. 10:45 – 11:00 D. 11:45 – 12:00	 Keynote Luis Almagro, Secretary General of the Organization of American States (OAS)
A. 09:00 – 10:00	High-Level Discussion: Rebuilding the Social Contract

B. 10:00 - 11:00

C. 11:00 - 12:00

Moderator: Senator Verónica Camino (Mexico), president of the ParlAmericas Parliamentary Network for Gender Equality (PNGE)

D. 12:00 - 13:00

- The Honourable Reginald Farley (Barbados), President of the Senate
- Member of the Legislative Assembly Paola Vega (Costa Rica), Vice-President for Central America of the ParlAmericas Parliamentary Network on Climate Change (PNCC)
- Representative Juan Carlos Losada (Colombia)

The high-level discussion will provide a space for prospective analysis and the exchange of good legislative practices regarding the role of parliaments in the face of their opportunity to rebuild the social contract, recognizing the need to promote democratic principles, recover public trust in governing institutions, advance public policies to overcome the difficult socio-economic realities of the hemisphere, and discuss the regional integration initiatives required in effective post-pandemic recovery processes.

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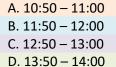
Dialogue among participants

After the high-level discussion, an interactive space will be opened to invite panellists and parliamentarians from the Americas and the Caribbean to share knowledge and exchange good practices related to the role of parliaments in the rebuilding of the social contract.

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Evaluation of the session

• Alisha Todd, Director General of ParlAmericas



Closing remarks

 The Honourable Manzoor Nadir (Guyana), Speaker of the National Assembly and member of the ParlAmericas Board of Directors





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