



PRELIMINARY AGENDA

Parliamentary Exchange: Strategies for Bold Climate Initiatives
Meeting of the Executive Committee of the ParlAmericas Parliamentary Network on
Climate Change and Sustainability (PNCCS)

Virtual | March 7, 2025
 11:00-13:00 (UTC – 05:00)

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Simultaneous interpretation into English and Spanish will be provided for this event

With the knowledge that avoiding catastrophic climate impacts requires accelerated global climate action, and that this year will culminate with COP30 taking place in Brazil and showcasing regional priorities and leadership, **this meeting of the Executive Committee of the PNCCS will examine key environmental issues that parliamentarians can help advance in the region. It will provide ample space for parliamentarians to share their experiences and the initiatives they have undertaken or plan to undertake to address environmental challenges.** Additionally, it will offer strategic recommendations on advocating for bold climate initiatives that are responsive to community needs, and discuss how ParlAmericas can support these endeavors.

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Welcoming remarks

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- The Honourable Senator **Rosa Galvez** (Canada), President of the PNCCS

Presentations: Exploring Key Issues for Parliamentary Action

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The presentations will highlight the major environmental issues in the Americas and the Caribbean that parliamentarians might consider in their work. They will draw on insights from significant topics discussed at international fora in 2024 and provide practical advice on how parliaments can effectively convey the urgency of these matters, address the priorities of civil society, and better integrate diverse actors into the environmental agenda.

Moderator: Member of the Legislative Assembly **Oscar Izquierdo Sandí** (Costa Rica), Vice-President for Central America for the PNCCS

- *Parliamentary Priorities, Tackling Global Environmental Challenges:* **Nadia González Burgos**, NDC and LT-LEDS Expert for RCC Latin America, United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
- *Taking Inclusive Climate Action:* **Sapphire Alexander**, Founder of Caribbean Feminist

ParlAmericas 2025 Work Plan

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The International ParlAmericas Secretariat will present their planned series of virtual meetings for the year, covering topics such as nature-based solutions, promoting green jobs, and empowering local actors.

- **Maria Boada**, Senior Program Officer - Climate and Sustainability of ParlAmericas

Dialogue: Parliamentary Experiences and Points of Action

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Parliamentarians will have the opportunity to discuss good practices they or their parliament is implementing to advance climate action. During this session they will also be able to contribute to the discussion on how ParlAmericas can help accelerate climate efforts.

Moderator: Member of the Chamber of Deputies **Margarita Stolbizer** (Argentina), First Vice-President for South America for the PNCCS

Parliamentarians can reflect on the following questions:

- Given the many environmental challenges, what are the priority issues for you and/or your parliament?
 - What political or societal context makes this challenge a priority over others, and does it overlap with another issue?
- Is there a success or challenge you would like to share concerning a related climate or environmental issue that you have undertaken?
- Is there technical assistance or knowledge support you would like from ParlAmericas?

Closing Remarks

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- Member of the Chamber of Deputies **Shoraya Suarez** (Dominican Republic), Second Vice-President for the Caribbean for the ParlAmericas Parliamentary Network on Climate Change and Sustainability



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