
Partner organization

Inter-Parliamentary Union and the Parliament of Brazil

Background

International Parliamentary Union (IPU), the Geneva based international organization of Parliaments is keen to organize at the occasion of the UNAoC Rio Forum a meeting with Parliamentarians to discuss the role of legislators in promoting intercultural dialogue and cooperation.

AGENDA

3:30 – 3:45 p.m. Opening remarks
H.E. Mr. Michel Temer, President of the Brazilian Chamber of Deputies

3:45 – 4:00 p.m. Keynote address
President Jorge Sampaio, United Nations High Representative for the Alliance of Civilizations

4:00 – 4:30 p.m. Presentation of the Alliance of Civilizations’ Programmes
AoC panellist TBC

Questions and answers

4:30 – 5:30 p.m. Follow-up to the IPU Resolution on Ensuring respect for and peaceful coexistence between all religious communities and beliefs in a globalized word
This session will provide an opportunity to take stock and highlight parliamentary action in implementing the findings and recommendations of the Resolution and reflecting upon new avenues and partnerships to help build greater trust and understanding among diverse religious and cultural communities. It will also examine the involvement of national parliaments in the elaboration and implementation of National Plans for Intercultural Dialogue.

5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Enhancing effective political participation of minorities and indigenous groups
- Examine the main obstacles to effective participation of minorities and indigenous peoples;
- Identify ways in which parliaments and their members can develop strategies for the effective participation of cultural and religious communities in public life;
- Facilitate sharing of experiences, lessons learned and challenges across regions;

6:30 – 7:00 p.m.    Closing remarks

Time TBC    Reception to participants hosted by the Alliance of Civilizations and the Government of Brazil
            Copacabana Palace Hotel