MOBILIZING PARLIAMENTS FOR THE SDGs

An official side event of the 2016 High Level Political Forum

Monday, 18 July, 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm
Conference Room 3
United Nations Headquarters

DRAFT AGENDA

“We acknowledge also the central role of national parliaments through their enactment of legislation and adoption of budgets and their role in ensuring accountability for the effective implementation of our commitments”
(Agenda 2030, Para 45)

MODERATOR:

Mr. Martin Chungong, Secretary General of the IPU

PANELLISTS:

1. Hon. Mr. Futho Hoothlo, Vice President of the Senate, Parliament of Lesotho
2. Hon. Dr. Jiko Fatafehi Luveni, Speaker, Parliament of Fiji
3. Hon. Karina Gould, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of International Development, Parliament of Canada
4. Mr. Mitchell Toomey, Director, SDGs Action Campaign, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

KEY OBJECTIVES OF THE SESSION:

- Take stock of the global follow up process for the SDGs through the HLPF and the UN partnership with the IPU;
- Review the steps parliaments can take to institutionalize the SDGs and support their implementation at the national level;
• Discuss a parliamentary perspective on the main theme of the 2016 HLPF: “Leaving no one behind”.

BACKGROUND MATERIALS

• *The HLPF and the IPU: the way forward* (IPU one-pager)

• Model parliamentary resolution on the role of parliaments in SDGs implementation (IPU)

• Parliamentary involvement in the national review of progress in the implementation of the SDGs (IPU questionnaire)

• Draft parliamentary self-assessment toolkit (IPU)

• Global Sustainable Development Report, Chapter 4 - *Inclusive institutions for Sustainable Development: parliaments and national councils for sustainable developments* (UN)