

15 February 2022

Excellency,

Please find enclosed, for your information, the programme of the 2022 Annual Hearing of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) at the United Nations, under the theme "Building political support and inclusive responses to sustainable recovery", which will take place in-person at the General Assembly Hall on Thursday, 17 February from 10.00 am to 6.00 pm, as well as on Friday, 18 February from 10.00 am to 5.30 pm.

The annual Parliamentary hearing is a collaborative event between the President of the General Assembly and the IPU. It facilitates substantive dialogue between UN officials and Parliamentarians on prominent issues on the global agenda.

This year's event will advance the global conversation about sustainable development in the face of the on-going pandemic. It will provide a critical perspective on key actions to build economies that work for all, societies that bring people together, and environments that are sustainable for generations to come. The issue of gender equality will provide a thread tying the two days together.

The hearing will be webcast and can be followed on webtv.un.org.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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