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Invitation to the Global Parliamentary Workshop at the World Bank and IMF Spring Meetings, 5-6 April 2021

Dear Honourable,

On behalf of the Parliamentary Network and the World Bank and International Monetary Fund, it is my pleasure to invite you to the **2021 Global Parliamentary Workshop from 5 to 6 April, 2021**. The theme of this year's meeting is ***"From the Pandemic to the Paris Agreement: How to avoid a great divergence."***

The COVID-19 pandemic has created social and economic hardship across the world. Despite extraordinary policy measures, the effects of the virus have amplified pre-existing inequalities, disproportionately affecting the young, the poor, and women. The risk of an uneven recovery is high unless we use targeted, sector-specific measures, while taking climate action and managing debt. **In this context, we want to create a space to hear from parliaments about their role in the immediate and long-term recovery efforts, including policy measures that work and others which are to be implemented.**

The workshop will be an occasion for parliamentarians to share experiences and best practices with senior management and experts from the World Bank Group and IMF about how they are addressing virus containment and the global reset to long-term sustainability and debt management.

The connection details will follow. The International Secretariat of the Parliamentary Network will prepare the event programme and send it to you in due time. Sessions will be held in English, French, Arabic and Spanish. I invite you to confirm your attendance by clicking on the following [link](https://form.jotform.com/PNOWB/GlobalParliamentaryWorkshop) (<https://form.jotform.com/PNOWB/GlobalParliamentaryWorkshop>) and filling out the online registration form. For further information, please contact parliamentarians@worldbank.org or jpo1@parlnet.org.

I look forward to convening you virtually in what are sure to be two days of rich and insightful exchanges.

With my very best wishes,

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