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150th IPU Assembly to take place in Uzbekistan

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The Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) will hold its [150th Assembly](#) in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, from 5 to 9 April 2025, hosted by the Parliament of Uzbekistan.

The overall theme *Parliamentary action for social development and justice* will cover topics such as eradicating poverty, promoting decent work, fostering social inclusion, and increasing the participation of marginalized groups in decision-making.

Key highlights will include the following:

- The IPU will celebrate its milestone 150th Assembly, which will include a keynote address from the President of Uzbekistan, Shavkat Mirziyoyev.
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- The IPU Forum of Women Parliamentarians will also celebrate its 40th anniversary, a significant milestone against the backdrop of new challenges to women's rights in some countries and the stagnation of the proportion of MPs who are women at 27.2%, according to the latest [IPU report](#).
- All the IPU's other bodies will convene, including its four thematic Standing Committees, the Forum of Young Parliamentarians, the Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians, the Committee on Middle East Questions and the Task Force on the peaceful resolution of the war in Ukraine.
- The IPU is poised to move closer to universality with its membership expected to grow to 182 Member Parliaments as Belize joins.
- MPs are expected to adopt resolutions on advancing a two-State solution in Palestine, and mitigating the impact of conflicts on sustainable development.
- The Assembly will feature workshops on climate action, parliamentary diplomacy, and social norms impacting women's health.
- During the Assembly, the IPU will also open nominations for the 2025 edition of the [Cremer-Passy Prize](#), recognizing parliamentarian(s) with exceptional records in gender equality, the IPU's theme of the year.

Historical background

The first IPU meeting took place in 1889 in Paris, France with MPs representing nine countries. Since then, the IPU Assembly has grown to become a global platform, the parliament of parliaments, with hundreds of MPs attending from around the world, along with staff, partner organizations and experts.

Practical details

Venue: Tashkent City Congress Centre in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.

Media attendance: Only confirmed members of the press and media will receive media accreditation. A letter from your media outlet and a copy of your press card should be submitted to press@ipu.org to support your [online registration](#).

The IPU is the global organization of national parliaments. It was founded in 1889 as the first multilateral political organization in the world, encouraging cooperation and dialogue between all nations. Today, the IPU comprises 181 national Member Parliaments and 15 regional parliamentary bodies. It promotes peace, democracy and sustainable development. It helps parliaments become stronger, younger, greener, more innovative and gender-balanced. It also defends the human rights of parliamentarians through a dedicated committee made up of MPs from around the world.

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