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To: Presidents of IPU Groups

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Dear Madam President,
Dear Mr. President,

On 12-14 September 2024, the IPU and the National Assembly of Armenia held the Tenth IPU Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians in Yerevan, Armenia, entitled *Avoiding lost generations: Preserving education and employment in all circumstances*.

The Conference brought together some 144 young parliamentarians from over 52 countries, approximately 40% of whom were women. The average age of the MPs was 37 years old, and they were joined by representatives of governments, international organizations, civil society groups, youth organizations and academia to share knowledge and coordinate actions.

During the event, young parliamentarians pledged their commitment to preserving education and employment opportunities in all circumstances, including in times of crisis. They emphasized the importance of ensuring free and accessible education for all. They also called for greater investment in digital infrastructure and the adaptation of curricula to meet the demands of future economies. Additionally, they advocated for employment initiatives that empower young people through job programmes, micro-credit schemes and entrepreneurship support. They highlighted the necessity of inclusive labour policies, especially for refugees, and stressed the importance of affordable housing to foster long-term economic stability. With a focus on leaving no one behind, the parliamentarians committed to ensuring that education and employment services reach marginalized groups and those in vulnerable situations, delivering a more equitable future for all.

Videos of the Conference proceedings are available [here](#) for 12 September 2024 and [here](#) for 13 September 2024, and photos from throughout the Conference can also be accessed [here](#). More pertinently, the Conference's outcome document is available on the event website [here](#). I hope that this will be a valuable resource for your own Parliament's efforts, and I invite you to distribute it widely.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Chungong
Secretary General