REGIONAL SUMMIT OF PARLIAMENTARIANS: ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND THE LATIN AMERICAN AGENDA

Jointly organized by the Chamber of Deputies of Argentina and the Parliamentary Track of the United Nations Internet Governance Forum – (Buenos Aires City, Argentina, 13 to 14 June 2024)

CONTEXT

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The Chamber of Deputies of Argentina, in collaboration with the Parliamentary Track of the United Nations Internet Governance Forum (IGF), will host the **First Regional Summit of Parliamentarians on Artificial Intelligence and the Latin American Agenda** in **Buenos Aires City, Argentina**, from **13 to 14 June 2024**.

The Summit will showcase the critical role of parliaments and anticipatory parliamentary practice on artificial intelligence issues. It will encourage regional collaboration, and the exchange of knowledge and best practices related to AI technologies for further decision making.

The Summit will explore concrete actions to consolidate a common regional position on issues related to AI, to create appropriate regulatory frameworks, and to promote responsible innovation, while protecting fundamental rights and values.

KEY TOPICS

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The key topics that will be discussed at the Summit around Artificial Intelligence are as follows:

1. **AI regulation and legislation**: Advances in AI raise a number of ethical, legal and social challenges that require attention from policymakers. Appropriate regulation can help protect individual rights, ensure fairness and transparency in the use of AI, as well as encourage responsible innovation.
2. **Global AI legislative practices**: The exchange of experience and best practices regarding ongoing global AI legislations is essential to promote the responsible and ethical development of AI, protect individual rights and build trust in these emerging technologies.
3. **AI socio-economic impact**: AI is rapidly transforming the economy and labor market. Parliamentarians must study how these changes affect society in terms of employment, distribution of wealth and access to opportunities. They can implement policies that promote training and job retraining, as well as measures to mitigate possible inequalities.
4. **AI Ethics and human rights**: AI raises important ethical questions about democracy, algorithmic bias, discrimination, and liability. Parliamentarians can play a crucial role in promoting ethical standards in the development and deployment of AI systems, as well as ensuring the protection of human rights in an increasingly digitized world.
5. **AI cybersecurity and privacy concerns**: AI also presents challenges in terms of cybersecurity and data privacy. Lawmakers must ensure that clear regulations are in place to protect personal information and prevent the misuse of AI for malicious purposes.
6. **AI development and legislation**: This panel brings together leaders from pioneering AI companies to discuss the complex and evolving legislative landscape governing AI development and deployment.

PARTICIPATION

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The Summit is open to all Latin American parliamentarians, both to those who work in ICT-related committees that deal with the topic of AI and to those who are willing to learn from and participate in discussions around these technologies.

OUTPUT

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Parliamentarians from Latin America are invited to discuss the proposed issues with experts during panel discussions, share their views, explore the questions at hand, and exchange opinions and experience on existing or potential legislative solutions. Workgroups are organized among Parliamentarians on each day, following the panel discussions they have had with experts.

The key messages that emerge from the exchanges, including the final presentation from the workgroups, will be captured as the formal, action-oriented output.

These outputs will be presented at the regional Parliamentary Track alongside the Latin America and Caribbean IGF taking place in November 2024 in Chile and at the annual IGF in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia from 15 to 19 December 2024. The regional and annual IGF could serve as platforms to hold further multistakeholder consultations of the workgroup's output.

PLAN OF ACTIVITIES

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The programme below is indicative at this stage and will be shaped further in the lead-up to the Summit:

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES	
Date and Time (UTC-3)	**Focus**
**Day 1	13 June 2024	(Buenos Aires City & online)**	
08:00—09:00	**Registration**
13 June 2024 09:00—09:30	**Welcome Remarks**
13 June 2024 09:30—10:45	[Panel Discussion 1] **AI regulation and legislation** Advances in AI raise a number of ethical, legal and social challenges that require attention from policymakers. Appropriate regulation can help protect individual rights, ensure fairness and transparency in the use of AI, as well as encourage responsible innovation.
10	**Coffee Break**
13 June 2024 11:15—12:30	[Panel Discussion 2] **Global AI legislative practices** The exchange of experience and best practices regarding ongoing global AI legislations is essential to promote the responsible and ethical development of AI, protect individual rights and build trust in these emerging technologies.
12:30 – 14:00	**Lunch Break**
13 June 2024 14:00—15:15	[Panel Discussion 3] **AI Socio Economic impact** AI is rapidly transforming the economy and labor market. Parliamentarians must study how these changes affect society in terms of employment, distribution of wealth and access to opportunities. They can implement policies that promote training and job retraining, as well as measures to mitigate possible inequalities.
15:15 – 15:45	**Coffee Break**
13 June 2024 15:45—17:30	[Parliamentary Workgroup Day 1] Closed Meeting. Panel GCBA
17:30	**End of Day 1**

Day 2 | 14 June 2024 | (Buenos Aires City & online)	
08:30—09:00	**Registration**
14 June 2024 09:00—10:15	[Panel Discussion 4] **AI ethics and human rights** AI raises important ethical questions about democracy, algorithmic bias, discrimination, and liability. Parliamentarians can play a crucial role in promoting ethical standards in the development and deployment of AI systems, as well as ensuring the protection of human rights in an increasingly digitized world.
10:15—10:45	**Coffee Break**
14 June 2024 10:45—12:00	[Panel Discussion 5] **AI cybersecurity and privacy** AI also presents challenges in terms of cybersecurity and data privacy. Lawmakers must ensure that clear regulations are in place to protect personal information and prevent the misuse of AI for malicious purposes, such as espionage or data manipulation.
12.00 – 13:30	**Lunchbreak**
14 June 2024 13:30—14:45	[Panel Discussion 6] **AI development and legislation** This panel brings together leaders from pioneering AI companies to discuss the complex and evolving legislative landscape governing AI development and deployment. The discussion will highlight emerging regulatory frameworks within Latin America and will provide a comprehensive view of how companies can navigate and adapt to these regulatory frameworks to foster responsible and ethical AI innovation across the region.
14:45—15:15	**Coffee Break**
14 June 2024 15:15—17:00	[Parliamentary Workgroup Day 2] Closed Meeting. Panel GCBA
14 June 2024 17:00—17:30	Presentation Final Agenda LATAM Proposal on AI
17:30	**End of the Summit**