## Working Document from the Regional Summit of Parliamentarians
### *Artificial Intelligence and the Latin American Agenda*

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**We, parliamentarians taking part in the First Regional Summit of Parliamentarians on Artificial Intelligence, with the theme *Artificial Intelligence and the Latin American Agenda,***

*Welcome* the First Regional Summit of Latin American Parliamentarians as an unprecedented initiative to bring together parliamentarians of the region to cooperate and exchange good practices in dealing with artificial intelligence (AI) legislation,

*Acknowledge* the role of the Chamber of Deputies of Argentina and the Internet Governance Forum Secretariat of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA) in co-organizing the Regional Summit of Parliamentarians on Artificial Intelligence in Latin America,

*Take note* of the adopted UN General Assembly resolution A/78/L.49 on Seizing the opportunities of safe, secure and trustworthy artificial intelligence systems for sustainable development; the Interim Report: Governing AI for Humanity of the UN Secretary-General's Advisory Body on AI; the IGF 2023 report of the Policy Network on Artificial Intelligence; UNESCO's Recommendation on the Ethics of Artificial Intelligence and UNESCO's draft Policy Brief on AI Regulation: Emerging approaches Across the World,

*Look forward* to the development of a Global Digital Compact with an objective to strengthen international governance of emerging technologies, including Artificial Intelligence, for the benefit of humanity, as well as the Pact of the Future to be adopted at the United Nations Summit of the Future in September 2024; and the overall review by the UN General Assembly, in 2025, of the progress made since the World Summit on the Information Society,

*Recognize* the benefits of AI technologies and their potential to transform access to knowledge, increase productivity and innovation in sectors from healthcare to agriculture, in both advanced and developing economies, and to positively contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs),

*Concerned* by several trends in artificial intelligence, such as the potential for biased decision-making, discrimination, lack of transparency in algorithms, damaging communication practices, and the growing power concentration into few technology giants,

*Emphasise* the need to invest in basic foundations of a digital economy to participate in the development of AI ecosystems and use of AI,

1. *Underscore* the need for a **solid and enabling legislative and regulatory framework** that:

   a. contributes to the alignment of AI with the system's intended goals;
   b. ensures ethical AI development and deployment;
   c. promotes transparency and accountability in AI systems;
   d. mitigates algorithmic biases and discrimination;
   e. safeguards data privacy and security;
   f. addresses the socio-economic impacts of AI, such as on the workforce;
   g. fosters technological innovation while mitigating risks and ensuring responsible AI practices; and
   h. encourages the participation of all stakeholders, namely civil society, academia, the technical community, the private sector, and government, as well as minorities or marginalized communities.

2. *Recognize* the **importance of a multistakeholder and whole-of-government approach** to

artificial intelligence legislative-making, as well as the need for constant dialogue between parliament, government, regulators, the private sector, the technical community and civil society,

3. *Affirm* that, in order to be effective with artificial intelligence, **interoperability should be promoted in national and regional jurisdictions** to enable international exchange and cooperation, regardless of the legislation adopted by each sovereign state, and therefore:

   a. *welcome* international and regional instruments that play a crucial role in establishing guidelines and standards for the development and use of artificial intelligence, ensuring its ethical and responsible implementation;
   b. *acknowledge* that such instruments can play in furthering regional cooperation,

4. *Call* for a **human-centric approach to AI governance**, putting users, including minorities and marginalized groups, at the center, and giving them more control and transparency over how AI systems collect and process their data, including by:

   a. identifying and applying common principles regarding AI governance;
   b. providing an enabling environment for the ethical and positive use of AI through regional frameworks, as AI technologies operate across national borders,

5. *Also call for* **agile governance of artificial intelligence** with objectives that ensure transparency, reliability, safety and human control in the design and use of AI and put transparency, fairness, and accountability at the core, and:
   a. *caution* against the risk that AI will increase digital divides due to a lack of available data in certain regions and cultures of the world and therefore requires greater democratization and localization based on high quality local data, which is, in turn, based on a robust data governance framework;
   b. *support* the idea of establishing regulatory sandboxes to develop and test legislation relating to AI;
   c. *underscore* the need for continual capacity building of parliamentarians to understand the different aspects of AI, the various use cases, and the impacts and effects that legislations and AI technologies have on society and innovation,

6. *Invite* Latin American parliamentarians to share knowledge, experience and the work carried out at the IGF Parliamentary Track with relevant regional parliamentary bodies and fellow members, as well as information about existing and new legislative initiatives which are contributing to increased trust in AI technologies at national and regional levels,

7. *Encourage* Latin American parliamentarians to strengthen their engagement in IGF processes and extend their participation to national and regional IGF initiatives in Latin America,

8. *Call upon* the IGF to connect Latin American parliamentarians to relevant IGF and LACIGF stakeholders on artificial intelligence to strengthen the multistakeholder approach,

9. *Request* that the IGF further develops the Parliamentary Track to facilitate exchanges between Latin American parliamentarians and other IGF stakeholders on the topic of artificial intelligence governance,

10. *Look forward* to deepening the engagement of Latin American parliamentarians in United Nations intergovernmental bodies and processes as laid out in the draft Pact of the Future that is aimed to be agreed at the Summit of the Future in September 2024,

11. *Support* the United Nations system, consistent with its mandate, to promote inclusive international cooperation, to facilitate the inclusion, participation, and representation of the Global South in deliberations, and to contribute to reaching global consensus on safe, secure

and trustworthy AI systems that is consistent with international law, in particular the Charter of the United Nations and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.