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PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Commonwealth Parliamentary Association UK (CPA UK), working in partnership with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and with the support of Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Headquarters (CPA HQ) and Westminster Foundation for Democracy (WfD), delivered the International Parliamentary Conference (IPC) between 14-17 March 2016.

The IPC is part of the International Parliamentary Project (IPP) following the adoption of the Sustainable Developments Goals (SDGs) by the international community. The IPP comprised of:

- African Regional Workshop, in partnership with the National Assembly of Kenya, Nairobi, 10-13 November 2015
- Caribbean Regional Workshop, in partnership with the Parliament of Trinidad & Tobago, Port of Spain, 7-10 December
- Asian Regional Workshop, in partnership with British High Commission, New Delhi, 18-21 January 2016
- International Parliamentary Conference, Houses of Parliament, London, 14-17 March 2016
- The delivery of an International Parliamentarians' e-Handbook on Sustainability, Energy and Development, Implementing the SDGs - 2015-2030.

The IPC was the final element of the IPP, bringing together the knowledge, expertise and feedback gained at the regional workshops. The primary output of the IPP was the International Parliamentarians' e-Handbook on Sustainability, Energy and Development, Implementing the SDGs – 2015-2030 was launched at the IPC welcome reception (see outcomes section for more information).





AIM. OBJECTIVES & DELIVERABLES

AIM

The aim of the IPC was to enable parliamentarians to legislate, scrutinise and advocate for sustainability, energy and development within their respective countries.

OBJECTIVES

- 1. Advocate for the engagement of parliamentarians on the Sustainable Development Goals, with specific focus on sustainable energy;
- 2. Broaden the knowledge and skills of parliamentarians on key sustainable development challenges;
- 3. Explore the mechanisms that parliamentarians may use to hold governments to account to ensure that international commitments to development are implemented at a local, national and regional level;
- 4. Examine the relationship between governments, parliaments, civil society, the private sector and international donors responsible for the implementation of sustainability, energy and development.

OUTCOME

To collaborate with leading global organisations and experts in delivering a comprehensive, inclusive and informative programme, thus facilitating the development of an International Parliamentary Project on Sustainability, Energy and Development and leading to the establishment of an international community of best practice by April 2016.

OUTPUTS

Increase knowledge and build capacity of parliamentarians and parliamentary institutions on sustainability, energy and development by delivering the following outputs:

- Deliver an International Parliamentarians' e-Handbook on Sustainability, Energy and Development Implementing the SDGs 2015-2030
- Deliver the International Parliamentary Conference on Sustainability, Energy & Development

BENEFICIARIES

- Members of parliament from the Commonwealth and non-Commonwealth countries
- Youth parliamentarians/activists
- International development organisations

KEY CONTRIBUTORS

- Climate Parliament
- Commonwealth Youth and Climate Change Network (CYCN)
- CPA Headquarters (CPA HQ)
- Department of Energy & Climate Change, UK (DECC)
- Department for International Development, UK (DFID)
- Foreign & Commonwealth Office, UK (FCO)
- GLOBE International
- UK Houses of Parliament
- United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP)
- Westminster Foundation for Democracy (WFD)
- World Bank Group (WBG)
- World Future Council



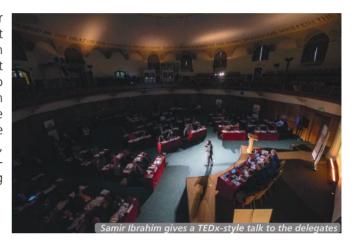
CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

Each of the IPC's sessions were themed, relating to the key challenges of sustainability, energy and development for parliamentarians. This section details the themes of the conference and how they contributed to the original aim and objectives.

DAY ONE

INTRODUCTION

The day began with an introduction from Ian Liddell-Grainger MP, Chair of the CPA UK Executive Committee, who noted that the opening day of the IPC coincided with Commonwealth Day. Later that evening, the Chair would lead an Adjournment debate in the House of Commons Chamber, where Rt Hon. Hugo Swire MP, the Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, would note that "events such as (this) are vital if we are to meet (the mandate) of implementing the UN Sustainable Development Goals". Rt Hon. Baroness D'Souza CMG PC, Lord Speaker, formally opened the conference with a thoughtprovoking address on the role of parliamentarians in scrutinising and implementing policies on sustainable development.



BEING INSPIRED

The first session set the scene and put sustainability in its wider, global context, thus providing parliamentarians with a broader perspective of the challenges faced (Objective 2). Two high profile members of the UK House of Lords, Rt Hon. Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Climate Change; and Rt Hon. Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale, Co-Chair of the UK All Party Parliamentary Group on SDGs, gave an overview of the creation and critical nature of the SDGs, before delegates heard from Dr David Nabarro, the UN's Special Adviser on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, via video message. Dr Nabarro highlighted the importance of the conference and stressed the key role of parliamentarians, given their ability to enact legislation, formulate policies, provide oversight and approve budgets.

Two inspiring speeches followed this introduction, empowering parliamentarians by making them consider more profoundly their role in implementing legislation in support of the Sustainable Development Goals (Objective 1). The first, from the author and campaigner Tristram Stuart vividly brought to life the key issue of food sustainability, food waste and the link between food and energy consumption, dismissing claims that there should be a global increase in food production. He spoke passionately of the need for parliamentarians to have "fire in their guts", representing the rights of their citizens. Concluding the first session, Samir Ibrahim, Chief Executive of SunCulture, emphasised the importance of parliamentarians as the bridge between technocrats, and the communities for whom they design sustainable solutions, drawing on his experience of providing solar energy for high-value products in Global South countries.



SETTING THE SCENE: ENERGY MATTERS

The next session focused primarily on the issue of energy policies, particularly policies related to the development of renewables. Chaired by Mary Creagh MP, the Chair of the UK House of Commons' Environmental Audit Committee, the session touched on a range of topics including the positive impact of access to cheap, sustainable energy on economic development (Objective 1). Andrew Scott, from the Overseas Development Institute pointed out that renewable energy – such as solar or tidal power - is often the least costly option, particularly for those communities in remote, off-grid areas.



He was followed by Stefan Schurig from World Future Council and Nick Dunlop from Climate Parliament, who both offered stark warnings of the need for action to tackle climate change and described COP21 as a way of protecting the global population against the impact of global warming. The final speaker in this session, Dr Adrian Ely, from the Social, Technological and Environmental Pathways to Sustainability (STEPS) Centre, raised the importance of knowledge and democracy in ensuring the implementation of sustainability, energy and development policies (Objectives 1 and 2).

REGIONAL WORKSHOPS

The final session of the day offered an opportunity to reflect on the outcomes of the three regional workshops in Africa, Asia and the Caribbean. Baroness Scott of Needham Market said that the Westminster model for democracy should be a "framework not a straitjacket". Hon. Dr Bhoendradatt Tewarie MP from Trinidad & Tobago emphasised the need for countries to tackle regional issues in order to comprehensively achieve the global goals. Meanwhile Dawn Butler MP from the UK noted the high pollution levels she encountered in India as a stark example of the current problems with emissions levels. Finally Hon. Hanna Songowa MP from Sierra Leone and Hon. Kinoti Gatobu MP from Kenya reported back on the African conference in Nairobi, with Ms Songowa describing it as "exciting and motivating".



The day ended with a reception in the presence of Rt Hon. Desmond Swayne TD VR MP, Minister of State for International Development, UK Parliament – introduced by Ian Liddell-Grainger MP, Chair of the CPA UK Executive Committee – to launch CPA UK's e-Handbook on sustainability, energy and development. The reception was an opportunity for delegates to discuss the day's proceedings. There was also an opportunity to hear about how parliamentarians can act against climate change from Graham Stuart MP, Chair of GLOBE International.

DAY TWO

FINANCING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



The session was chaired by Rt Hon. Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale, Co-Chair of the UK All Party Parliamentary Group on SDGs. Lord McConnell drew delegates' attention to the previous night's launch of CPA UK's e-Handbook on sustainability, energy and development, depicting it as a critical tool for parliamentarians, before handing over to the day's first speaker, Josue Tanaka from the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), Mr. Tanaka gave an overview of climate finance in practice, with the key discussion element being the importance of having a mix of financing both public sector and private sector projects (Objectives 4 and 2).



Dr Justin A. Ram from the Caribbean Development Bank followed on from Mr Tanaka by highlighting the unique challenges faced by Caribbean nations and territories. Again, **Dr Ram stressed the importance of proper partnerships** between the public and private sector to secure real long-term investment (Objective 4). The session was then followed by break-out discussions on the role of parliamentarians in ensuring economic stability, giving delegates the chance to discuss key issues in smaller groups through case studies and examples - such as the facilitation of a geothermal project on a fictional small island state (Objective 2).

THE ROLE OF PARLIAMENTARIANS



The final session of the morning was a highly engaging discussion on the role of parliamentarians in legislating for sustainability (Objective 1). It was chaired by Rt Hon. Lord Deben, Chair of the UK's Independent Climate Change Committee, who noted the importance of working collaboratively across parties to build consensus.

The following speaker, Michal Nachmany from the London School of Economics (LSE) stressed the importance of equipping parliamentarians with sufficient technical and policy knowledge, whilst Julia Keutgen from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) gave some examples of laws on renewable energy and sustainable development in countries such as

India, Bangladesh and Jordan. Robert Ondhowe from the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) then warned against pursuing a "business as usual" strategy, arguing that this could lead to a 60% rise in global energy demand by 2030. Finally we had the parliamentarian's view, with a contribution from Graham Stuart MP. Mr Stuart argued that following the Paris COP21 agreement there is a great opportunity for parliamentarians to make a difference. He spoke of the importance of engaging as many parliamentarians as possible, cautioning that many do not get involved in issues seen as technically challenging (Objective 1 and 2). A discussion session in break-out rooms allowed for delegates to consider these issues in more detail, focusing particularly on what makes good legislation on renewable energy or climate change.

DATA & STATISTICS

The afternoon began with presentations on accessing information, data and statistics. Glenn Everett from the Office of National Statistics explained the difference between the political agreements on goals and targets, and the more technical but equally important issue of indicators (Objective 2).

He was followed by Stephanie Weckend from the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), who urged parliamentarians not to be afraid of asking questions of statisticians to find the story behind the figures. Finally, delegates were given a UK perspective from Dr Aaron Goater from the Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology, (POST) who gave delegates an understanding of the work being done by parliamentary committees to investigate progress on the SDGs. Further discussions in break-out rooms followed, focusing on the issues raised by the previous speakers in more detail.





DAY THREE

ENERGY SECURITY, ENERGY ACCESS AND TRANSPARENCY

The key theme of ensuring energy security, energy access and transparency was the subject of the first session of the third day of the conference. It was opened by Hon. Nicole Olivierre MP, the Minister for Energy and Energy Industries of Trinidad and Tobago.

Ms Olivierre noted the unique nature of the Commonwealth, bringing together as it does a diverse range of nations. She urged the assembled parliamentarians to never underestimate their role in influencing legislation (Objective 1).

The Chair introduced Prof. Nathan Hultman from the University of Maryland School of Public Policy. Between 2014 and 2016, Prof Hultman worked at the White House on President Obama's Climate and Energy Policy Team, and his presentation informed delegates of the unequal access to energy that exists around the world. He also drew a link between poor access to energy and poor health, with the sobering fact that around two million excess deaths a year are caused by the use of indoor wood-fired cooking appliances.

He was followed by Dr Jim Cust from the Natural Resource Governance Institute who focused specifically on how resource-rich countries can achieve sustainable development. He noted that there are no Sustainable Development Goals for resource management but that resource management is critical for the success of the SDGs (Objective 2).

There then followed a highly engaging question and answer breakout session where the diverse range of issues faced by Commonwealth and non-Commonwealth countries was highlighted.

WESTMINSTER-STYLE COMMITTEE HEARINGS



The afternoon focused on Westminster-style committee hearings, giving delegates the chance to put the information they had acquired so far to practice familiarising themselves with a powerful tool for the scrutinisation of government policies (Objective 3).

The first group scrutinised issues around financing for sustainable development, putting questions to Dr Justin A. Ram from the Caribbean Development Bank and Ben Good from Global Village Energy Partnership. The second group focused on the same topic, with Josue Tanaka from the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development and Damian Ryan from The Climate Group being the expert witnesses. The third group focused on the use of data and indicators in monitoring the SDGs,

featuring Martin Horwood from Development Initiatives, Jo Howard from the Institute of Development Studies and Stephanie Weckend from the International Renewable Energy Agency.

The groups were chaired by three parliamentarians – the UK's Lord Purvis of Tweed and Rt Hon. Sir Alan Haselhurst MP, and Hon. Jonathan Young MP from New Zealand. All sessions featured highly engaging questions and answers with excellent participation from delegates, including extremely perceptive supplementary questions. The hearings were followed by a debrief where delegates discussed the themes raised and also the way in which the hearings were conducted, such as the importance of developing effective guestions and the skills needed to chair a committee. They discussed how committees are structured, and compared the Westminster system with committee systems in their own country. Delegates agreed that it was a highly rewarding session, especially for those from countries that do not have witness-based committee sessions.



DAY FOUR

WESTMINSTER-STYLE CHAMBER DEBATE

The final day of CPA UK's International Parliamentary Conference saw delegates head to the Houses of Parliament to take part in a Westminsterstyle chamber debate - another mechanism at the disposal of parliamentarians to raise awareness about important issues (Objective 1), and also to hold their governments to account (Objective 3).

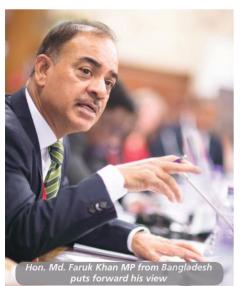
The debate – held in the Grand Committee Room – was chaired by Eleanor Laing MP, First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means and Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons, on the motion "That this House agrees that COP21 has secured the global carbon emissions cap". The motion, proposed by Crossbench Peer Lord Oxburgh KBE, reminded delegates of the rapid growth in CO² emissions over



the past 150 years. He said he was broadly optimistic about the COP21 agreement but cautioned that it was merely the first step on a long and difficult road.

Opposing the motion was Hon. Sen Silvia Garza from Mexico, who said the agreement was not ambitious enough, arguing that the planet was already on a state of "red alert". This was followed by a lively and wide-ranging debate featuring over 20 speakers. There were passionate contributions on both sides of the argument, with many delegates pointing to specific concerns in their own country, however when the vote was called, the motion was rejected by 25 votes to 12. The debate was followed by a debrief session, allowing delegates to discuss the structure of the debate, and how it compared to parliamentary debates in their own parliaments and legislatures.

PARTNERSHIPS ACROSS SECTORS



The morning concluded with a session on the **importance of partnerships**, whether they be with the media, civil society, the private sector or other key players (Objective 4).

Peter Knowles, Controller of BBC Parliament gave an insight into the role of the media, offering parliamentarians advice on how to get their message across. He stressed the importance of ensuring they understand their audience, and making sure they have an awareness of the wider news agenda, so that their debates and reports do not get swamped by other news stories.

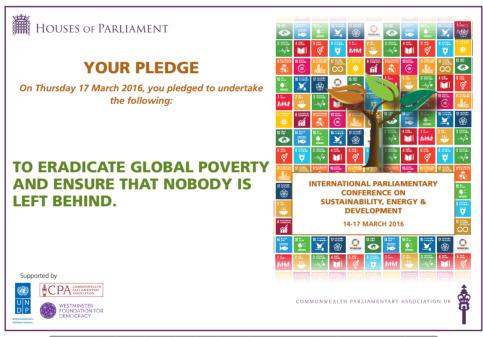
Dr Joanna Setzer from the Grantham Research Institute at the London School of Economics (LSE) urged parliamentarians to remember the key role played by sub-national and regional authorities, underlining the importance of adapting approaches to SDG implementation from one community to the next. Neil Thorns from Climate Coalition and CAFOD spoke of the importance of engaging with NGOs and wider civil society, as well as emphasising the different, more inclusive and active engagement surrounding the SDGs as opposed to the MDGs. Finally Sharon Brooks from the United Nations Environment Programme-World

Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC) spoke about how to connect with the private sector and the challenges and limitations of dealing with data, focusing on the role of partnerships in providing sources when the public might be hesitant to share information.



CLOSING

After lunch and a group photo with Rt Hon. Justine Greening MP, Secretary of State for International Development, delegates held a "world café" session with civil society, NGOs and private sector representatives. The discussions, based in small groups, gave delegates the opportunity to brainstorm ideas on how to encourage and create mutual cooperation to implement and monitor the SDGs at a national level (Objective 4). During the following feedback session, each delegate filled out a pledge card that outlined their commitment to tackling climate change. These pledges would be reviewed every month for 6 months by CPA UK to ensure that they had been fulfilled. The day ended with an inspiring speech from Jennie King from the Commonwealth Youth Climate Change Network (CYCN) on the role of youth in promoting sustainable development. The conference came to a formal close with a speech from Lord Purvis of Tweed, a member of CPA UK's Executive Committee, who re-emphasised the importance of parliamentarians and youth parliament members in implementing the SDGs and thanked the delegates for their attendance whilst wishing them luck in fulfilling their commitments to tackling climate change in their home nations.



An example of a pledge undertaken during the International Parliamentary Conference



OUTCOMES

The following section outlines the outcomes of the International Parliamentary Conference - contextualised within the conference's aim and objectives - immediately after its conclusion. In addition to these outcomes, there will be a six month follow-up to further monitor the effectiveness of the IPC and delegates' progress in legislating for the Sustainable Development Goals.

1. Advocate for the engagement of parliamentarians on the Sustainable Development Goals, with specific focus on sustainable energy (Objective 1).

Delegates

In attending the IPC, parliamentarians contributed to the creation of a platform whereby they shared ideas with one another, discussed best-practice standards on SDG implementation and created a network of legislative champions for sustainability, energy and development. In total, 48 parliamentarians from 22 Commonwealth and seven non-Commonwealth countries attended the conference¹, with more than 35 speakers and 25 observers from the public, private and non-profit sectors also contributing their expertise.² This facilitated a truly inclusive programme and a collective drive for positive action on climate change.

Stakeholder Engagement

The high-level ministerial and presiding officer involvement from the UK Parliament aided greatly in raising the profile of the conference and served to highlight the critical nature of the SDGs. Throughout the week delegates were able to engage with:

- Rt Hon. Baroness D'Souza CMG PC, Lord Speaker, UK House of Lords
- Rt Hon. Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth, Parliamentary Under-Secretary, Department of Energy and Climate Change
- Rt Hon. Desmond Swayne TD VR MP, Minister of State for International Development
- Eleanor Laing MP, First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means and Deputy Speaker, UK House of Commons
- Rt Hon. Justine Greening MP, Secretary of State for International Development

Thematic Discussion

Delegates participated in sessions which provided a compendious summary of SDG-related topics, allowing for a wide-ranging and comprehensive programme.³

Rt Hon. Baroness D'Souza CMG PC, Lord Speaker at the IPC

Communications

The conference received much attention on social media, with approximately 206 tweets and "likes" of tweets throughout the week and a prevalant usage of the #SDGParliament hashtag, which continued after the IPC's conclusion. There was also regional media coverage in New Zealand from online media outlet Scoop.⁴

Parliamentary Pledges

As part of their commitment to advocating for SDG implementation, delegates made individual pledges on sustainability, energy and development. Every month, for 6 months, CPA UK will send a reminder which will prompt participating parliamentarians to provide an update on the state of their pledge and steps taken to fulfil it.

Funding

The total cost of the IPC came to £108,242, with £22,409 of the total paid for by UNDP, CPA HQ and Westminster Foundation for Democracy.

¹ For the full list of delegates for the International Parliamentary Conference, see Appendix 2

² For the full list of speakers and observers for the International Parliamentary Conference, see Appendices 3 and 4 respectively

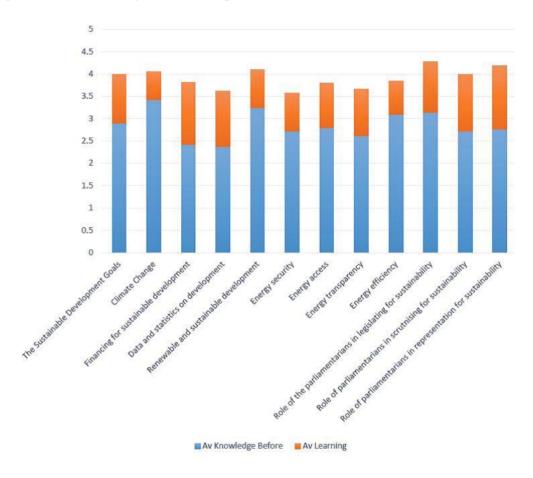
For a full outline of the programme for the International Parliamentary Conference, see Appendix 1

http://www.scoop.co.nz/stories/PA1603/S00231/nz-parliament-engages-on-sustainable-development.htm



2. Broaden the knowledge and skills of parliamentarians on key sustainable development challenges (Objective 2).

As part of the IPC's monitoring and evaluation process, delegates were asked to complete pre- and post-assessment forms to measure how effective the conference had been in raising parliamentarians' level of understanding on SDG-related topics and key sustainable development challenges.



The scoring methodology of the assessment forms is based on a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 signifying little understanding and 5 signifying expert knowledge. The graph above shows the average understanding of delegates before the conference and their average learning over the course of the conference; there is a definite shift from rankings at 2 or 3 in the preassessment, increasing to 4 or 5 in the post-assessment.

Further conclusions drawn from the assessment are that:

- Understanding of the SDGs went from having 24 delegates scoring 3 and under to 27 scoring 4 and above;
- There still remains a larger range of perceived knowledge over Data and Statistics on development. In the pre-assessment, 24 delegates scored between 3 and 2 while in the post-assessment 26 delegates scored between 4 and 3;
- Topics related to energy-specific knowledge greatly improved. 20% of delegates ranked their understanding of energy efficiency at 4 in the pre-assessment. This increased to 59% in the post-assessment. The ranking of Energy Access at 4 also went from 13% to 56%;
- There were still several delegates who ranked their understanding as 2 for both Financing for Sustainable Development and Data and statistics for development;
- The role of parliamentarians, particularly with regards to legislating, changed dramatically. 53% ranked themselves at 3 and under in the pre-assessment. In the post assessment, 97% ranked themselves at 4 and above.

In summary, delegates felt that their level of understanding on key sustainable developement and energy challenges increased as a result of attending the conference.



3. Delegates participated in exercises that familiarised them with the mechanisms available to them to hold their governments to account, and to ensure that international commitments to development are implemented at local, national and regional levels (Objective 3).

Throughout the conference week, delegates developed their knowledge of parliamentary mechanisms - in the context of scrutinising SDG implementation - through the following exercises:

Plenary Sessions

In attending the IPC's plenary sessions, parliamentarians were exposed to a wide range of cross-sector experts whose knowledge will prove to be crucial in shaping and moving legislation to tackle climate change. In addition to needing to understand complex issues quickly, delegates had to consider how this information would be relevant to their own countries - something that became evident during the programme's chamber debate.

Break-out Discussions

By splitting into smaller groups, delegates were able to examine challenges related to sustainability, energy and development more closely and in a collaborative environment. Additionally, the presence of speakers from the previous sessions during these discussions provided an opportunity for parliamentarians to both gain a deeper understanding on a given topic and also to familiarise themselves with asking questions in the context of the SDGs.

Westminster-Style Committee Hearings

Parliamentary committees are one of the best mechanisms of parliamentary scrutiny and oversight. Within Westminsterstyle legislatures, select/departmental committees are an essential tool for Parliament to scrutinise the work of government departments and agencies - and therefore an important tool for parlimentarians looking to make their governments accountable for their commitments to combating climate change and adopting SDG-related legislation. An effective oral hearing has the potential to bring insightful information, allowing committee members to guestion policies and offer effective recommendations to the government. This exercise allowed conference participants to explore all of these aspects and aided them in developing practical skills for committee work.



Westminster-Style Chamber Debate

The aim of a parliamentary chamber debate is to offer an opportunity for parliamentarians to debate with each other on a topic of regional, national or international importance. In organising a chamber debate for delegates of the IPC, this was a chance for participants to experience the procedure of a Westminster-style parliamentary debate in action, practice their public speaking skills and acquaint themselves with another way of raising awareness for the SDGs whilst holding their governments to account. In addition to being held in the UK Parliament's Grand Committee Room - which regularly holds parliamentary debates on special issues - the chamber debate was facilitated by Eleanor Laing MP, First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means and Deputy Speaker to the UK House of Commons.





4. The IPC facilitated parliamentary and governmental engagement with stakeholders from civil society, the private sector, voluntary organisations and youth groups to foster an all-inclusive, holistic approach to the implementation of sustainability, energy and development policy (Objective 4).

In addition to featuring cross-sector speakers and observers throughout the duration of the conference, the IPC dedicated an entire afternoon to parliamentary engagement across the different spheres of influence in modern-day society.

Given that the debate around the Sustainable Development Goals called for a global, multi-stakeholder partnership, Session 12 included speakers from the media, corporate and non-profit sectors. Presentations and discussions focused on encouraging mutual cooperation with parliamentarians, the impact that active partnerships could have on better informed and more representative decision making and also the role of the media in advocating for sustainable energy and development. A networking lunch allowed for delegates to engage informally with the speakers, whilst the following World Café session brought participants together to brainstorm ideas on how to encourage and create mutual cooperation to implement and monitor the SDGs on a national level.





As part of the youth engagement strategy for the whole of the International Parliamentary Project, the IPC employed postgraduate students from UCL's Development Administration and Planning course to act as summary writers for the conference programme. Representatives from youth and youth engagement organisations attended as observers throughout the week, with Jennie King from the British Council summarising the inherent importance of involving the youth in policymaking on the last day of the programme.





Additionally, following Graham Stuart MP's engagement with the IPC, a number of delegates joined GLOBE International; a network of parliamentarians developing legislative responses to the challenges posed by sustainable development. More information about GLOBE international can be found at www.globelegislators.org/



FURTHER OUTCOMES

5. On Monday 14 March 2016 the e-Handbook for parliamentarians on sustainability, energy and development was launched.

As representatives, legislators and scrutineers, parliamentarians have a responsibility to actively engage in the development agenda, to shape its success and in so doing make concrete improvements to the lives of their people and the global community.

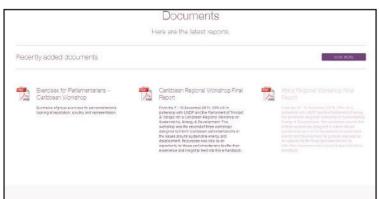
However, parliamentarians have enormous time pressures, vast amounts of information to digest, and all too frequently insufficient resources to assist them in their work. Parliamentarians need a basic understanding for why taking parliamentary action is necessary, including assessing sustainable energy proposals or preparing climate budgets. Parliamentarians can benefit from understanding what the key factors are and what the likely impacts are upon his or her region or country. Being comfortable with the subject will also help build support among fellow parliamentarians, or when talking to constituents who may be sceptical about the need for action.

CPA UK - in partnership with international parliamentarians and experts designed and launched an e-Handbook for parliamentarians on sustainability, energy and development.





Hosted on CPA UK's website, it is an interactive multimedia resource for parliamentarians across the globe to utilise as a source of practical advice, information and knowledge. It provides background information on the sustainable development and energy goals (SDGs). It is designed to assist parliamentarians to draft and amend legislation and improve their scrutiny and oversight roles via committees, parliamentary questions and debates. It is also designed to support parliamentarians as advocates and representatives, and to empower them to contribute effectively to the successful implementation and monitoring of the energy and sustainable development agenda in 2016 and beyond.



To access the e-Handbook, visit www.uk-cpa.org/ ehandbooks/ehandbook-on-sustainabilityenergy-and-development/



6. In line with CPA UK's commitment to environmental sustainability, the IPC will be offset via Natural Capital Partners, a contracted carbon-offsetting organisation.

In calculating the cost of the IPC's carbon emissions, CPA UK took into consideration the following variables:

- Number of attendees per day;
- Duration of the event in days;
- Venue: its size and location;
- Method of attendee transportation;
- Number of attendees staying in hotels;
- Estimated waste produced and a rough percentage of how much was recycled.



CarbonNeutral.com

The final cost of offsetting the above will be distributed between the following projects, based specifically in Commonwealth countries.

Improved Ghanaian Cookstoves Project

This project manufactures and distributes improved cookstoves to some of Ghana's most populated regions, using carbon finance to make the stoves affordable for households. Improved cookstoves use simple design enhancements to burn biomass fuel more cleanly and efficiently, therefore reducing greenhouse gas emissions, alleviating pressure on forests and energy resources, reducing harmful smoke and indoor air pollution, and saving families money and time acquiring fuel.

India Wind Portfolio

Energy generation is one of the biggest emitters of greenhouse gases (GHG) and renewable energy investment is a fast and effective solution to compensating for these emissions. Renewable energy has lower negative environmental impact and is cleaner than traditional fossil fuels. A special report in 2012 from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) on "Renewable Energy Sources and Climate Change Mitigation" identified that "the total global technical potential for renewable energy is substantially higher than global energy demand". The renewable energy projects in this portfolio are located across India and are vital to helping reduce the GHG emissions from the increasing global energy demand and use of fossil fuels. Carbon finance is delivered by companies who offset their emissions and provide the essential funds to support wind farms across India.

Sub-Saharan Africa Improved Water Infrastructure Portfolio

Programmes in Uganda have increased access to improved water sources for rural areas, but many existing boreholes (owned by community groups or community based organisations) have fallen into disrepair because maintenance programmes have been poorly managed. The project works with community groups to identify badly maintained boreholes and restore them so that they deliver clean, safe water and breakdowns are fixed guickly.

APPENDIX

APPENDIX 1 - CONFERENCE PROGRAMME



MONDAY 14 MARCH 2016 (COMMONWEALTH DAY) - DAY 1

REGISTRATION & SETTING THE SCENE

1230-1330 Registration & Welcome Lunch
1330-1345 Official Welcome & Opening Session

Introduction to the International Parliamentary Project (IPP)
Regional Workshops; e-Handbook, International Parliamentary Conference and beyond

Rt Hon. Baroness D'Souza CMG, Lord Speaker, House of Lords, UK Ian Liddell-Grainger MP, Chair, CPA UK Executive Committee

1345-1400 Introductions and Practicalities

Ian Liddell-Grainger MP, Chair, CPA UK Executive Committee **Andrew Tuggey DL**, Chief Executive & Secretary, CPA UK

1400-1500 **Being Inspired**

This session sets out the context of the Conference within the energy and sustainability agenda and outlines the objectives of the event. It will also be an opportunity to be inspired by two experts on sustainability and renewable energy.

lan Liddell-Grainger MP, Chair, CPA UK Executive Committee

Rt Hon. Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Climate Change

Rt Hon. Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale, Co-Chair of the All Party Parliamentary Group on SDGs, UK Parliament

Dr David Nabarro, Special Adviser on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, United Nations (Recorded Video Message)

Tristram Stuart, English Author and Campaigner **Samir Ibrahim**, Chief Executive Officer, SunCulture

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(Objectives 1 & 2)

1500-1515 Coffee / Tea Break

1515-1630 **SESSION 1: Setting the Scene**

The purpose of this session is to put the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) into the global context of sustainability, energy and development. Speakers will focus on the 'Energy Nexus' and the importance of energy consumption and energy access for poverty reduction and growth. They will discuss what 2015 meant for the global transition from fossil fuels to renewable energy and how the Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (INDCs) submitted at the 21st Conference of the Parties (COP21) will determine whether the world is put on a path towards climate change. Panellists will emphasise the importance of open, inclusive and democratic policy processes for achieving sustainable development.

Chair: Mary Creagh MP, Chair of the Environmental Audit Committee, UK Parliament

Panellists (In order of appearance)

Andrew Scott, Research Fellow, Climate and Environment, Overseas Development Institute (ODI)

Stefan Schurig, Member of the Executive Board and Director Climate Energy, World Future Council (WFC)

Nicholas Dunlop, Secretary General, Climate Parliament

Dr Adrian Ely, Senior Lecturer, Science Policy Research Unit & Deputy Director and Head of Impact and Engagement at the Social, Technological and Environmental Pathways to Sustainability (STEPS) Centre, Sussex University, UK

(Objectives 1 & 2)



1630-1730 Session 2: Output of the International Parliamentary Project Regional **Workshops & Case studies**

In advance of the IPC, CPA UK organised three Regional Workshops in Africa, the Caribbean and Asia-Pacific. The purpose of this session is for Workshop participants to share the outcomes, and their learning and experience, as well as the sustainability and energy context of their region. Participants will explain how they will use the knowledge acquired during the Workshops to push their respective national and international energy and sustainability agendas.

Chair: Hon. Winston Connolly MLA, Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly

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Panellists (In order of appearance)

Baroness Scott of Needham Market, UK Parliament and Hon. Dr Bhoendradatt **Tewarie MP**, Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago - Caribbean Regional Workshop Dawn Butler MP, House of Commons (UK) - Asia-Pacific Regional Workshop Hon. Hanna Songowa MP, Parliament of Sierra Leone and Hon. Kinoti Gatobu MP, Parliament of Kenya - Africa Regional Workshop

1730-1800 Delegates escorted to the Evening Reception at the Houses of Parliament 1800-2000 Welcome Reception and the Launch of the International Parliamentarians e-Handbook on Sustainability and Development By Invitation Only

CPA & IPU Rooms, Houses of Parliament

2000 Close of Day 1

(Objective 5)

A coach will take delegates back to the Doubletree Hilton Hotel



TUESDAY 15 MARCH 2016 - DAY 2

IMPLEMENTATION

0900-1000 SESSION 3: Financing Sustainable Development

"Greening investment at scale is a precondition for achieving sustainable growth. The investment required for the water, agriculture, telecoms, power, transport, buildings, and industrial and forestry sectors, according to current growth projections, stands at about US\$5 trillion per year to 2020."

This session will focus on financing for sustainability and in particular renewable energy. What are the investment opportunities currently available and how can parliamentarians create a more attractive environment for investment in renewable energy? Panellists will focus on the challenges of ensuring that financial flows to developing countries achieve the projected outcomes cost effectively.

Chair: Rt Hon. Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale, Co-Chair of the All Party Parliamentary Group on SDGs, UK Parliament

Panellists (In order of appearance)

Josue Tanaka, Managing Director, Operational Strategy and Planning, Energy Efficiency and Climate Change, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

Dr Justin A. Ram, Director, Economics, Caribbean Development Bank (CDB)

(Objectives 2 & 4)

1000-1045

Breakout - Role of Parliamentarians and Budgeting: Ensuring Economic Stability, Financial Incentives and Constituency Development Funds

These breakout sessions will look at the mechanisms that parliamentarians have to ensure finances are sourced to invest in sustainable energy and development.

In split groups, participants will undertake an exercise in determining parliamentary mechanisms for creating an 'enabling economic environment'.

(Objectives 2 & 3)

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1045-1100 Coffee / Tea Break

1100-1215 **Session 4: In**

Session 4: Implementing and Legislating Policies on Renewable Energies and Climate Change

This session will explore the potential of renewable energy and the impact of climate change. It will look at the role of parliamentarians in transforming the energy sector. Panellists will provide a general overview of the status of renewable energy in the Caribbean, Europe, Africa, America and Asia-Pacific, paying special attention to ensuring good decision-making when it comes to implementing mitigation and adaptation policies. Panellists will have the opportunity to explore the particular experiences of policy makers, private sector and civil society stakeholders in introducing such policies.

Chair: Rt Hon. Lord Deben, UK Parliament and Chairman of the UK's Committee on Climate Change

Panellists (In order of appearance)

Michal Nachmany, Lead author of the Global Climate Legislation Study, Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment, London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE), London, UK

Robert Ondhowe, Programme Manager, Energy and Climate Change, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

Julia Keutgen, Parliamentary Development Specialist, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Graham Stuart MP, Chair, Globe International and UK Parliament

(Objectives 1 & 2)



1215-1300 Breakout - Role of Parliamentarians in Legislating for Sustainability

Legislating is the core process for parliamentarians to implement change. These breakout sessions will look at mechanisms and techniques available to legislate for sustainability. How to draft good laws and the role of parliamentarians in the legislative process. How can Parliamentarians ensure that legislation is SDG compliant, and how can legislation allow for diversification of energy sector? What support is available from external organisations?

(Objectives 2 & 3)

1300-1400 Lunch

During the lunch break: : Book launch 'Sustainable Development: Thinking about it, Making it 1330-1400 Happen' by **Dr Bhoendradatt Tewarie MP**, Parliament of Trinidad & Tobago

1400-1515 SESSION 5: Access to Statistics, Data and Information

Westminster-Style Committee Hearing activities.

This session will provide background information on the targets and expected indicators related to energy and sustainability. Panellists will discuss the global development process and how data can be collected, especially for countries lacking sufficient capacity. Panellists will share several case studies and provide useful information on existing parliamentary services to access information.

Chair: Baroness Scott of Needham Market, UK Parliament

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Panellists (In order of appearance)

Glenn Everett, Programme Director, Measuring National Well-being, UK Office for National Statistics (ONS), UK

Stephanie Weckend, Programme Officer Knowledge, International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), UAE

Dr Aaron Goater, Energy Adviser, Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology (POST), UK

(Objective 2)

1515-1615	515-1615 Breakout - Methodology to Access Tools and Information		
	(Objectives 2 & 3)		
1615-1630	Coffee / Tea Break		
1630-1700	1630-1700 SESSION 6: Briefing on the Chamber Debate and Committee Hearing		
	This session will provide information and materials about the Chamber Debate and the		

1700 End of Day 2



WEDNESDAY 16 MARCH 2016 (UK BUDGET DAY) - DAY 3

SCRUTINY & OVERSIGHT

0930-1100 SESSION 7: Energy Security, Energy Access and Transparency

Access to energy is an essential responsibility for all governments. Yet supply can be impacted by geopolitics, industrial action, fuel costs, archaic technology, geographical remoteness and many other factors. What steps are needed to ensure energy can be provided for all?

Chair: Hon. Nicole Olivierre MP, Minister for Energy and Energy Industries, Trinidad & Tobago

Panellists (In order of appearance)

Prof. Nathan Hultman, Director of Environmental and Energy Policy Programme, University of Maryland School of Public Policy **Dr Jim Cust**, Director of Research and Data, Natural Resource Governance Institute (NRGI)

(Objectives 1 & 2)

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Coffee / Tea Break	
Breakout Sessions: This session will examine the role of parliamentarians in ensuring energy security, energy access and transparency via in depth discussions and exercises.	— Church House Conference Centre
(Objectives 2 & 3)	Conference Centre
Lunch	_
SESSION 8: Westminster-Style Committee Hearings	
The purpose of this highly interactive exercise is to explore scrutiny techniques using a real-life case study on energy and sustainable development. Delegates will act as members of a Parliamentary Committee on Energy and Climate Resilience, conducting an oral evidence session on its current enquiry. They will question witnesses (agency/NGOs/private sector) on their work on sustainability, energy and development, to scrutinise government plans for the implementation of global commitments to the SDGs.	
(Objective 3)	
Coffee / Tea Break	_
SESSION 9: Westminster-Style Committee Hearing Feedback Session	
This session follows on from the Westminster-style Committee Hearing exercise. Participants will have the opportunity to share feedback and insights on the previous activity and discuss ways to improve the effectiveness of parliamentary committees.	
End of Day 3	
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THURSDAY 17 MARCH 2016 - DAY 4

REPRESENTATION, EDUCATION & ADVOCACY

0900-1030 SESSION 10: Chamber Debate (Including Briefing)

The question is put "That this assembly agrees that COP21 has secured the global carbon emissions cap".

In the Chair - **Eleanor Laing MP**, First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means and Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons, UK Parliament

Clerking the Debate is **Joanna Dodd**, Secretary to the Chairman of Ways and Means, House of Commons, UK Parliament

(Objectives 1 & 3)

1030-1115 **SESSION 11: Chamber Debate Debriefing**

1115-1145 Coffee / Tea Break

1145-1300 SESSION 12: The Importance of Partnering Across Sectors: Parliament, Multi-Governments, Corporate, Civil Society, NGOs, Media

Civil society across the world has never been so vocal; still their messages often fail to reach the decision-makers. As the current debate around the Sustainable Development Goals call for a global multi-stakeholder partnership and a data revolution, the session will explore the relationship between parliamentarians, non-governmental and civil society organisations – how can mutual cooperation be encouraged? How can more active partnership lead to better informed and more representative decision making? The session will also look at how parliamentarians can use media to advocate for sustainable energy and development.

Grand Committee Room, Houses of Parliament

Chair: Susie Latta, Head of Conferences & Projects, CPA UK

Panellists (In order of appearance)

Peter Knowles, Controller, BBC Parliament

Dr Joana Setzer, External Affairs Coordinator, Network of Regional Governments for Sustainable Development (nrg4SD)

Hon. Neil Thorns, Director of Advocacy at CAFOD and Chair of the Climate Coalition **Sharon Brooks**, Programme Officer, Business Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services, UNEP-World Conservation Monitoring Centre

(Objectives 1 & 4)

1300-1400	Networking Lunch	
1400-1430	Official Conference Photo with the Rt Hon. Justine Greening MP, Secretary of State for International Development, UK (Optional visit to the Parliamentary Gift Shop)	_
1430-1600	SESSION 13: World Café Session with Delegates, Civil Society, NGOs, Private Sector	CPA & IPU Rooms, Houses of
	The purpose of this session is to give the opportunity for parliamentarians, NGOs, civil society, academics and private sector to brainstorm ideas on how to encourage and create mutual cooperation to implement and monitor the SDGs at national level.	Parliament
	(Objectives 1 & 4)	
1600-1630	Closing Session of the International Parliamentary Conference	_

APPENDIX 2 - DELEGATE LIST



ANTIGUA & BARBUDA - Sen. Adrian Lee

ANTIGUA & BARBUDA - Sen. Osbert Frederick

ARGENTINA - Sen. Carmen Lucila Crexell

BANGLADESH - Hon, Md, Faruk Khan MP

BANGLADESH - Hon. Kazi Keramat Ali MP

BELIZE - Hon. Frank Mena MP

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS - Hon. Marlon A.Penn MHA

CAMEROON - Hon. Njume Peter Ambang MP

CAMEROON - Hon. Njong Evaristus Ndim MP

CANADA - Hon. Deb Schulte MP

CAYMAN ISLANDS - Hon. Winston Connolly MLA

CAYMAN ISLANDS - Hon. Bernie Bush MLA

GHANA - Hon. Cletus Avoka MP

GHANA - Hon. William Owuraku Aidoo MP

GUYANA - Hon. Sydney Allicock MP

GUYANA - Hon. Yvonne Pearson MP

JORDAN - Hon. Abdallah Khawaldeh MP

KENYA - Hon. (Prof.) Hellen Sambili MP

KENYA - Hon. Kinoti Gatobu MP

LEBANON - Hon. Ali Bazzi MP

LEBANON - Hon. Mohamad Hajjar MP

LEBANON - Hon. Joseph Maalouf MP

MALAYSIA - Hon. Dr. Datuk Makin Marcus Mojigoh MP

MALAYSIA - Hon. Dr. Haji Noor Azmi Bin Ghazali MP

MEXICO - Sen. Luis Sánchez Jiménez

MEXICO - Sen. Silvia Garza

MONTENEGRO - Hon. Aleksandar Damjanovic MP

MOROCCO - Hon. Moh Rejdali MP

NEVIS ISLAND - Hon. Alexis Jeffers MP

NEW ZEALAND - Hon. Jonathan Young MP

NIGERIA - Sen. Monsurat J.A. Sunmonu MP

NIGERIA - Hon. Olayonu Olariwoye Tope MP

NIGERIA - Hon. Abubakar Sarki Dahiru MP

NIGERIA - Sen. Jeremiah T. Useni

PAKISTAN - Sen. Liagat Khan Tarakai

SIERRA LEONE - Hon. Hannah Bundu Songowa MP

SOLOMON ISLANDS - Hon. Dr. Culwick Togamana MP

SOLOMON ISLANDS - Hon. Samuel Manetoali MP

SOMALIA - Hon. Jeylani Ikar FPS

SOMALIA - Hon. Abdikarim Haji Abdibuh FPS

SRI LANKA - Hon. Vidura Wickramanayake MP

SRI LANKA - Hon. Ashu Marasinghe MP

ST KITTS & NEVIS - Hon. Michael Perkins MP

TRINIDAD & TOBAGO - Hon. Nicole Olivierre MP

TRINIDAD & TOBAGO - Dr. Bhoendradatt Tewarie MP

TUVALU - Hon . Kausea Natano MP

UGANDA - Hon. Byarugaba Alex Bakunda MP

UGANDA - Hon. Alum Santa Ogwang MP

APPENDIX 3 - SPEAKER LIST



BBC: Peter Knowles, Controller, BBC Parliament

CAFOD and Climate Coalition: Neil Thorns, *Director, Advocacy* **Caribbean Development Bank:** Dr Justin A. Ram, *Director, Economics*

Center for Global Sustainability: Prof. Nathan Hultman, Director of Environmental and Energy Policy

Climate Parliament: Nicholas Dunlop, Secretary General

CPA UK: Andrew Tuggey DL, Chief Executive

CPA UK Executive Committee: Ian Liddell-Grainger MP, Chair

Development Initiatives (DI): Martin Horwood, Director of Engagement & Impact

European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD): Josue Tanaka, Managing Director, Operational Strategy

and Planning, Energy Efficiency and Climate Change

Feedback: Tristram Stuart, *Author and Campaigner; Founder* **GLOBE International; UK Parliament:** Graham Stuart MP, *Chair*

Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment: Michal Nachmany, Lead Author of The

Global Climate Change Legislation Study

Institute of Development Studies: Jo Howard, Research Fellow, Participation Research Cluster

The International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA): Stephanie Weckend, Programme Officer, Knowledge

National Office for Statistics: Glenn Everett, Programme Director

Natural Resource Governance Institute: Dr Jim Cust, Director, Research & Data

Network of Regional Governments for Sustainable Development (nrg4SD): Dr Joana Setzer, External Affairs

Coordinator

Overseas Development Institute: Andrew Scott, Senior Research Fellow, Climate and Environment Programme

Social, Technological and Environmental Pathways to Sustainability (STEPS Centre), Sussex University, UK:

Dr Adrian Ely, Deputy Director and Head of Impact and Engagement

SunCulture: Samir Ibrahim, Co-Founder & CEO

The Climate Group: Damian Ryan, Director, Strategy, Planning and Reporting Coordination

UK Parliament: Rt Hon. Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth, *Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Climate Change*

UK Parliament: Dawn Butler MP

UK Parliament: Joanna Dodd, Secretary to the Chairman of Ways and Means

UK Parliament: Rt Hon. Sir Alan Haselhurst MP

UK Parliament: Eleanor Laing MP, First Chairman of Ways and Means

UK Parliament: Rt Hon. Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale

UK Parliament: Lord Oxburgh of Liverpool KBE

UK Parliament: Lord Purvis of Tweed

UK Parliament: Baroness Scott of Needham Market

UK Parliament, Committee on Climate Change: Rt Hon. Lord Deben, *Chair*

UK Parliament, Department for International Development (DfID): Rt Hon. Justine Greening MP,

Secretary of State for International Development

UK Parliament, Department for International Development (DfID): Rt Hon. Desmond Swayne TD VR MP, *Minister of State for International Development*

UK Parliament, Environmental Audit Select Committee: Mary Creagh MP, Chair

UK Parliament, House of Lords: Rt Hon. Baroness D'Souza, Lord Speaker

UK Parliament, Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology (POST): Dr Aaron Goater, Energy Adviser

United Nations: Dr David Nabarro, UN Special Adviser on 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

United Nations Development Programme: Julia Keutgen, Parliamentary Development Specialist

United Nations Environment Programme: Robert Ondhowe, Programme Manager, Energy and Climate Change

United Nations Environment Programme - World Conservation Monitoring Centre: Sharon Brooks,

Senior Programme Officer

World Future Council: Stefan Schurig, Member, Executive Board; Director, Climate Energy



APPENDIX 4 - OBSERVER LIST

Accompanying MP: Paul Gamusi Wabwire, Uganda

Accompanying MP: Md. Mosta Gausul Hoque, Bangladesh **Accompanying MP:** Juan Luis Ordaz Méndez, Mexico

Accompanying MP: Jatziri Pando, Mexico **Amnesty International:** lain Byrne, UK **Argentina:** Maria Paz Garcia Calvo, Argentina

Argentine Embassy: Eugenia Rodriguez, UK **British Council:** Jennie King, UK

Climate Action Network-International: Emily Hickson, UK

Commonwealth Youth and Climate Change Network (CYCN): Jean-Paul Brice Affana Affana, Cameroon

Commonwealth Youth and Climate Change Network (CYCN): Joana Murta Rosa, UK & Portugal

Commonwealth Youth and Climate Change Network (CYCN): Stefan Knights, Guyana

Commonwealth Youth Council: Angelique Pouponneau, Seychelles

Commonwealth Youth Council: Parvin Nikam, India

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Headquarters (CPA HQ): Anna Schuesterl, UK Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Headquarters (CPA HQ): lan McIntosh, UK

Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO): Farida Shaikh, UK

Globe Legislators: Rafael Aybar, UK

Institute of Development Studies (IDS): Sophie Robinson, UK

The International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA): Marina De Blonay, Abu Dhabi

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP): Blerim Vela, Moldova United Nations Development Programme (UNDP): Igwe Uche, UK & Nigeria

Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO): Dominic Gillan, UK **Youth Network:** Syafiqah Abdul Rahim, UK & Malaysia

ABOUT CPA UK

CPA UK is one of the largest and most active branches in the CPA community, and delivers a full programme of international parliamentary activities in Westminster and overseas. Governed by an Executive Committee of parliamentarians from all main parties, CPA UK's work includes parliamentary diplomacy and parliamentary strengthening on behalf of the UK Parliament and the wider CPA.

Its activities include conferences, seminars, workshops and interparliamentary exchanges on parliamentary practice and procedure, policy and issues of international interest and concern.

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ABOUT UNDP

The United Nations Development Programme works in more than 170 countries and territories, helping to achieve the eradication of poverty, and the reduction of inequalities and exclusion. UNDP helps countries to develop policies, leadership skills, partnering abilities, institutional capabilities and build resilience in order to sustain development results.



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