

Strategic Roundtable of the PGA UN Advisory Committee and PGA Executive Committee

Ambassadorial Level

Hosted by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations
335 E 45th St, New York, NY 10017
5 June 2017, from 1:15pm to 2:45pm

I. Objectives

1. To discuss the role of Parliamentarians in supporting and implementing the UN Agenda at the national level.
2. To provide an update on PGA's Strategic Plan 2017-2018 and the 3 PGA Programs:
 - a) Gender, Equality and Population
 - b) International Law and Human Rights
 - c) Peace & Democracy

II. Expected Outcomes

1. Improved understanding of the role parliamentarians can play when implementing the UN Agenda at the domestic level and how the United Nations can support these endeavors.
2. Increased knowledge of the activities and goals of PGA in the second half of 2017, with a focus on individual programs and campaigns.

III. AGENDA

1:15pm

Introduction

Chair: **H.E. Amb. Christian Wenaweser**, Permanent Representative of Liechtenstein to the United Nations, **Chair of the PGA UN Committee**

Welcoming remarks by **H.E. Ambassador Hahn**, Deputy Permanent Representative of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations (5 Minutes)

Opening remarks by the **President of PGA Executive Committee, Dip. Margareta Stolbizer**, (Argentina) (5 Minutes)

1:30pm

PGA Campaigns and involvement of the PGA UN Committee in 2017/2018 by **Dr. David Donat Cattin**, Secretary-General of Parliamentarians for Global Action (5 minutes)

1:35pm

Role of Parliamentarians in Accountability for Prevention of Atrocities by **Mr. Ivan Šimonović (Croatia)**, UN Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Responsibility to Protect (10 minutes)

1:45 pm

Interactive Discussion: The Opportunities and Challenges of National Implementation of and Support for the UN Agenda

Interactive Discussion among the PGA UN Advisory Committee (Ambassadors) and the PGA Executive Committee (MPs) (40 minutes)

2:25pm **Other Business**

2:35pm **Conclusions**

Closing Remarks by Hon. Petra Bayr, MP (Austria), Treasurer, PGA Executive Committee (5 Minutes)

2:45pm **End of the meeting**

IV. CONFIRMED PARTICIPANTS

(Countries in Alphabetical Order)

PGA UN Committee Members

1. H.E. Amb. Martín García Moritán, Permanent Representative of Argentina to the UN
2. H.E. Amb. Gillian Bird, Permanent Representative of Australia to the UN
3. H.E. Amb. Jan Kickert, Permanent Representative of Austria to the UN
4. H.E. Amb. Ib Petersen, Permanent Representative of Denmark to the UN
5. H.E. Ms. Minna-Liina Lind, Deputy Permanent Representative of Estonia to the UN
6. H.E. Amb. Hahn, Deputy Permanent Representative of the Republic of Korea to the UN
7. H.E. Amb. Christian Wenaweser, Permanent Representative of Liechtenstein to the UN
8. H.E. Amb. Oliver Zehnder, Deputy Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the UN
9. H.E. Amb. Volodymyr Yelchenko, Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the UN

Ambassadors

10. H.E. Amb. Marc-André Blanchard, Permanent Representative of Canada to the UN
11. H.E. Amb. Juan Carlos Mendoza García, Permanent Representative of Costa Rica to the UN
12. H.E. First Counsellor, Head of Human Rights and Social Affairs Section, Charles Whiteley, of the Delegation of the European Union to the UN
13. H.E. Amb. Anne Gueguen, Deputy Permanent Representative of France to the UN
14. H.E. Amb. Syed Akbaruddin, Permanent Representative of India to the UN
15. H.E. Amb. Oliver Maes, Deputy Permanent Representative of Luxembourg to the UN
16. H.E. Amb. Ramlan Bin Ibrahim, Permanent Representative of Malaysia to the UN
17. H.E. Amb. Fodé SECK, Permanent Representative of Senegal to the UN

UN Secretariat and Agencies

18. Mr. Ivan Šimonović, UN Special Adviser on Responsibility to Protect
19. Mr. Thomas Markram, Deputy High Representative for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA)

PGA Board Member-Parliamentarians¹

20. Dip. Margarita Stolbizer, Argentina, President of PGA
21. Ms. Petra Bayr, MP Austria, Treasurer of PGA
22. Ms. Margareta Cederfelt, MP, Sweden, Chair of PGA International Council
23. Dip. Ronny Monge Salas, Costa Rica
24. Dep. Dieudonné Upira Sunguma, Democratic Republic of Congo
25. Dip. Victor Orlando Bisonó, Dominican Republic
26. Dip. Karina Sosa, El Salvador
27. Mr. Tariq Anwar, MP, India
28. Mr. Kula Segaran, MP, Malaysia
29. Mr. Syed Naveed Qamar, MP, Pakistan
30. Dep. Mamadou Lamine Thiam, Senegal

PGA Secretariat

31. Dr. David Donat Cattin (Italy), Secretary-General
32. Ms. Jennifer McCarthy (USA), Deputy Secretary-General
33. Mr. Peter Barcroft (Ireland), Director of Peace & Democracy Programme
34. Ms. Mónica Adame (Mexico), Director of Gender Equality and Population Programme
35. Ms. Leyla Nikjou (Austria), Specialist on Rule of Law and UN Strengthening, Senior Programme Officer International law and Human Rights Programme

¹ N.B.: PGA Board Members from European Parliament (Germany) and New Zealand will not be in attendance due to competing missions to Cambodia and Pacific Island States.

36. Ms. Holly Sarkissian (USA), Senior Development Officer
 37. Mr. Thiago Carvalho (Brazil/Portugal), Programme Officer
 38. Mr. Alex Roche (Spain), Programme Officer
 39. Ms. Melissa Verpile (Haiti), Programme Officer
 40. Ms. Feiza Guachati (Netherlands/Curacao), Intern
 41. Ms. Cordelia Pelletier de Chambure (France), Intern
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ABOUT PGA

PGA, a non-profit, non-partisan international network of approximately 1400 legislators in 142 countries, informs and mobilizes parliamentarians to advocate for human rights and the rule of law, democracy, human security, non-discrimination and gender equality. Using a peer-to-peer methodology, PGA brings together parliamentarians with key stakeholders, including civil society and international organizations, across sectors; equips legislators with relevant knowledge and expertise; and achieves immediate impact and longer-term national implementation on programs and Campaigns. PGA's vision is *to contribute to the creation of a rules-based international order for a more equitable, safe and democratic world.*

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