



## Parliamentarians for Global Action

### Conference on ICC Ratification in Lusophone Countries

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International Criminal Court (ICC) Campaign Event

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***Lisbon, Portugal – Senate Hall, Assembleia da Republica***

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#### PROGRAMME

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MORNING

10.00 - First session: ***“The International Criminal Court (ICC) and the contribution of Lusophone countries in the Development of International Justice: from the ad hoc International Criminal Tribunals for Rwanda (ICTR) and the former Yugoslavia (ICTY) to the permanent ICC”***

***Inaugural Address:***

- **HE Dr. Antonio Almeida Santos**, Presidente da Assembleia da Republica, Portugal

***Opening Remarks (3 to 5 minutes each):***

- **Hon. Dr. Jorge Lacão**, MP President, Constitutional Affairs and Civil Liberties Commission, Portugal
- **Hon Dr. Antonio Costa**, MP, Minister of Justice of Portugal
- **Hon. Dr. Jose Magalhães**, Secretary of State for Parliamentary Affairs of Portugal
- **Sen. Raynell A. Andreychuk**, Senate of Canada; Convenor, International Law and Human Rights Programme, Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA)

***Key-note Speeches on National Ratification Processes:***

- **HE Hon. Jorge Malu**, Presidente de la Assembleia Nacional Popular, Guinea-Bissau

- **HE Hon. Francisco Fortunato Pires**, Presidente de la Assembleia Nacional, Sao Tome' et Principe
- **Dep. Nilmario Miranda**, President of the Human Rights Commission, Câmara dos Deputados, Brazil
- **Dr. Teodato Mondim da Silva Hunguana**, membro da Comissao Permanente, Assembleia da Republica, Mozambique, *on behalf of HE Dr. Eduardo Joaquim Mulembwe, Presidente, Assembleia da Republica, Mozambique*
- **Dr. Diogenes Boavida**, MP, *on behalf of HE Dr. Roberto de Almeida, Presidente de la Assembleia Nacional, Angola*
- Letter from **Hon. Dr. Aristides Lima**, Presidente de la Assembleia Nacional, Cape Verde

***Concluding Remarks:***

- **HE Dr. Antonio Almeida Santos**, Presidente da Assembleia da Republica, Portugal

11.45 - Coffee Break

12.15 – First Session (continued): ***discussion among delegates from Lusophone Countries on the impact of the ICC on the international relations of the Comunidade dos Países de Língua Portuguesa (C.P.L.P.) and the protection of universal human rights***

***Chairperson:*** **Dr. Dulce Maria Pereira** (Brazil), Executive Secretary, *Comunidade dos Países de Língua Portuguesa (C.P.L.P.)*

***Discussion:*** **Intervention of members of Parliament and other guests**

13.00 - Lunch

AFTERNOON

14.45 - Second session: ***“Survey on the National procedures towards ratification and implementation of the ICC Statute in Lusophone domestic legal systems: analysis of problems and solutions”***

***Chairperson:*** **Hon. Dr. Marques Mendes**, MP, President of the Foreign Affairs' Commission of Portugal

***Rapporteurs:*** **Ms. Ligia Maria Dias Esteves Vaz** (Portugal), International Law Association

**Dr. David Donat-Cattin** (Italy), Senior Programme Officer, Int. Law & Human Rights, PGA (New York); Researcher, Int. Law, Fac. of Law, Univ. of Teramo (Italy)

**Keynote addresses**

- **Hon. Dr. Paulo Tchpilica**, MP, Minister of Justice of Angola
- **Hon. Dr. Jorge Lacão**, MP, President, Constitutional Affairs and Civil Liberties Commission, Portugal
- Video-taped address of **Professor M. Cherif Bassiouni** (Egypt), President, *Associazione Int. de Droit Penale* (AIDP); President, Int. Human Rights Law Institute, DePaul University (Chicago); President, *Istituto Superiore Int. di Scienze Criminali* (ISISC, Siracusa, Italy); Chairman of the Drafting Committee, Rome Diplomatic Conference on the ICC

15.30 - **Discussion:**

- **Intervention of members of Parliament and other guests**

16.20 - Coffee Break

16.30 - Second session (continued): ***comparative analysis of national processes on ICC ratification and main aspects relating to implementation, including the “complementarity” between the Court and national criminal justice systems***

- **Professor Paula Escarameia**, Univ. Tecnica de Lisboa; Member, Delegation of Portugal, Preparatory Commission for the ICC; former legal advisor, Permanent Mission of Portugal to the United Nations
- **Ambassador Antonio Yanez-Barnuevo** (Spain), Ambassador at large on War Crimes Issues, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Gov. of Spain
- **Dr. Luis Silveira**, Prosecutor, *on behalf of* Amnesty International, Section of Portugal, International Justice Programme

17.15 - **Discussion:**

- **Intervention of members of Parliament and other guests, including representatives of the Civil Society**

18.45 - **Conclusions:**

- **Hon. Dr. Antonio Fernandes Guilherme Silva**, MP, member of PGA Portugal; Vice President of the Constitutional Affairs and Civil Liberties Commission, Portugal

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MORNING

9.00 - Special session: *“The achievements of the Preparatory Commission for the International Criminal Court and the challenges ahead for the Assembly of the States Parties (adoption of secondary legal instruments, elections of judges and prosecutor, effective operations of the Court)”*

**Chairperson:** Hon. Dr. Antonio Fernandes Guilherme Silva, member of PGA Portugal; Vice President of the Constitutional Affairs and Civil Liberties Commission, Portugal

**Presentations:**

- **Amb. Antonio Costa Lobo**, Head of the Delegation of Portugal to the Preparatory Commission for the ICC; former Secretary-General, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Portugal
- **Dr. João da Silva Miguel**, Prosecutor; Member of the Delegation of Portugal to the Preparatory Commission for the ICC

10.00 - **Discussion:**

- **Intervention of members of Parliament and other guests, including representatives of the civil society**

10.30 - Coffee Break

11.00 - Final session: *“Where do we go from here? A plan of action on ICC ratification and National implementation for the Members of the Community of Portuguese Speaking Countries (C.P.L.P.)”*

**Chairpersons:** Dr. Jose Magalhães, MP (PGA Portugal), Secretary of State for Parliamentary Affairs

Sen. Raynell A. Andreychuck, Senate of Canada; Convenor, International Law and Human Rights Programme, PGA

OPEN DISCUSSION ON THE DRAFT TEXT OF THE FINAL DOCUMENT OF THE CONFERENCE CONTAINING THE “PLAN OF ACTION ON ICC RATIFICATION IN LUSOPHONE COUNTRIES”. INTERVENTION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS AND GUESTS ATTENDING THE CONFERENCE INCLUDING, *INTER ALIA*:

- The Presidents of the Parliaments of Guinea-Bissau, Portugal, and Sao Tome’ et Principe
- The Presidents of Parliamentary Committess on Constitutional Affairs, Human Rights and/or Justice, Parliamentarians from Angola, Brazil, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau, Mozambique, Portugal, and Sao Tome’ et Principe
- The Executive Secretary and representatives of the Comunidade dos Países de Língua Portuguesa (C.P.L.P.)
- Distinguished experts and guests attending the Conference

ADOPTION OF THE FINAL DOCUMENT OF THE CONFERENCE, CONTAINING A “PLAN OF ACTION” ON ICC RATIFICATION IN LUSOPHONE COUNTRIES AND REAFFIRMING THE ROLE OF JUSTICE IN THE STRUGGLE FOR PEACE AND DEMOCRACY IN THE WORLD

13.00 - Final session (continued): joint “Closing Remarks” on behalf of Parliamentarians for Global action by the Chairpersons of the Session

- **Dr. Jose Magalhães and Sen. Raynell A. Andreychuck**

13.30 - Lunch

AFTERNOON

15.30 - ***Press Conference***

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