



Election Advisory - 11th Plenary Assembly

Several Board Seats are open for election at the 11th Plenary Assembly of ParlAmericas. Candidacies are accepted for the positions listed below; all positions are two year terms unless noted.

Position	Current	Nomination Procedures	Nomination Submittal
Presidency	Randy Hoback	Parliamentarians who wish to submit their candidacy for the position of President of the Board are asked to complete Form C	<p>Board Seats nominations will be accepted as of now.</p> <p>Parliaments can communicate their intention to run in the elections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> by email before 6pm on Monday, August 25, 2014, indicating a designated parliamentarian who would fill the seat should the Parliament be elected, or by nominating their Parliament in person, through their delegations at the Plenary Assembly, before 6pm on Friday, September 26, 2014. <p>Filled forms supporting candidacies must be submitted to:</p> <p>Director General of ParlAmericas by email (Alisha.Todd@parl.gc.ca) or in person</p>
1st Vice-presidency	Vacant	Parliamentarians who wish to submit their candidacy for the position of 1 st Vice-President of the Board are asked to complete Form D	
Representative of North America	Canada	<p><u>Parliaments or Parliamentary delegations at the Plenary Assembly</u> that wish to submit their <u>parliament's candidacy</u> to one of the sub-regional representative positions are asked to complete Form B</p>	
Representative of Central America	Vacant		
Representative of the Caribbean	Jamaica		
Representative of the Caribbean (new as of 2014)	Vacant		
Representative of South America	Colombia		
Representative of South America (new as of 2014)	Vacant		
Host Country of 11th Plenary Assembly**	Chile	Parliaments or Parliamentary delegations at the Plenary Assembly that wish to submit an offer to host the 12 th Plenary Assembly (2015) in their country are asked to fill out Form A	

* Member parliaments sitting on the Board of Directors may be re-elected.

** One year term.

According to RESOLUTION BDM34-03 (to be ratified at the 11th Plenary Assembly), Parliaments will need to remain current with their membership due payments to run for and retain a seat on the Board. Payment receipt for the current year must be confirmed by the International Secretariat the day prior to the election.

Explanatory notes about the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is responsible for carrying out the activities entrusted to it by ParlAmericas' Plenary Assembly. It is supported by a permanent International Secretariat in the management of issues of ParlAmericas concern.

The members of the Board of Directors must be active members of their respective Chambers. A Board Director cannot simultaneously hold office as a Cabinet minister in the executive branch of his/her government.

For purposes of observing a balance in regional representation, ParlAmericas divides the hemisphere into the following four sub-regions:

- **North America:** Canada, Mexico and the United States
- **Central America:** Belize, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Panama
- **Caribbean:** Antigua and Barbuda, the Bahamas, Barbados, Cuba, Dominica, the Dominican Republic, Grenada, Haiti, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and Trinidad and Tobago
- **South America:** Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay and Venezuela

The Board is composed of seventeen (17) elected members, distributed as follows:

- Three (3) representatives of different parliaments from North America and Central America, and four (4) representatives of different parliaments from South America, and the Caribbean, for a total of 14.
- Three (3) individuals elected by the Plenary Assembly: The President of the Board, the 1st Vice-President, and the President of the Group of Women Parliamentarians (who also acts as the 2nd Vice-President of the Board)

Additional members of the Board, with full participatory responsibilities and rights with the exception of voting, include:

- the immediate past president
- the representative of the country hosting the next Plenary Assembly
- the Director General of ParlAmericas' International Secretariat

For further information, interested delegations will be advised to contact:

- **Representative of the Caribbean:** Cheryl Bazard, Senator (The Bahamas)
- **Representative of Central America:** Mirma Figueroa de Coro, Member of Congress (Guatemala)
- **Representative of North America:** Marcela Guerra, Senator (Mexico)
- **Representative of South America:** Alicia Comelli, Member of Chamber of Deputies of the Nation (Argentina)

[ParlAmericas regulations](#) enclose detailed information regarding ParlAmericas elections procedures.

FORM A: Host Country of the 12th Plenary Meeting of ParlAmericas (2015)

PART A (to be completed by an accredited member of the Nominated Country's delegation)

As a member of the delegation accredited by my parliament to the 11th Plenary Meeting of ParlAmericas, I wish to indicate the willingness of my parliament to be considered for the position of host country of the 12th Plenary Assembly of ParlAmericas in 2015.

Country Name _____ Date _____

Delegate's Name _____ Signature _____

PART B (to be completed by the Nominator)

I hereby nominate the legislature of _____ as host of the 12th Plenary Meeting of ParlAmericas in 2015.
(country name)

Nominator's name _____ of _____ (country)

Nominator's signature _____ Date _____

FORM B: Sub-Regional Representatives – 2014-2016

PART A (to be completed by an accredited member of the Nominated Country's delegation)

As a member of the delegation accredited by my parliament to the 11th Plenary Meeting of ParlAmericas, I wish to indicate the willingness of my parliament to be considered for a position on the Board of Directors of ParlAmericas, for the 2014-2016 term, subject to the ParlAmericas Regulations.

I understand that, if elected, the national legislature of my country shall provide, by written communication to the President of ParlAmericas within 30 days of the election, the name of the parliamentary delegate who shall serve as its member on the Board of Directors.

Country Name _____ Date _____

Delegate's name _____ Signature _____

PART B (to be completed by the Nominator)

I hereby nominate the legislature of _____ as representative to the Board of Directors for the 2014-2016 term.
(country name)

Nominator's name _____ of _____ (country)

Nominator's signature _____ Date _____

FORM C: President of the Board

PART A (to be completed by the Nominee)

I, _____, indicate my willingness to serve in the position of President of the Board, and, should I be elected, pledge to commit the time and effort required to carry out the duties and responsibilities of this position.

Nominee's signature _____ Date _____

PART B (to be completed by the Nominator)

I hereby nominate _____ of _____ (country)
(name)

Nominator's name _____ of _____ (country)

Nominator's signature _____ Date _____

FORM D: 1st Vice-President of the Board

PART A (to be completed by the Nominee)

I, _____, indicate my willingness to serve in the position of 1st Vice-President of the Board, and, should I be elected, pledge to commit the time and effort required to carry out the duties and responsibilities of this position.

Nominee's signature _____ Date _____

PART B (to be completed by the Nominator)

I hereby nominate _____ of _____ (country)
(name)

Nominator's name _____ of _____ (country)

Nominator's signature _____ Date _____