

ParlAmericas Board of Directors

Election Advisory – 20th Plenary Assembly – May 2024 (Asuncion, Paraguay)

Positions open to election	Incumbent	Nomination Procedures	Nomination Submittal
Board of Directors			
Representative of Central America	Panama		Nominations will be accepted until 18:00 the day before the Elections.
Representative of Central America	Belize	Parliaments or parliamentary delegations at the Plenary Assembly that wish to submit their parliament's candidacy to one of the sub-regional representative positions are asked to complete the <u>nomination form</u> .	Elections shall be held during the closing Session of the Plenary Assembly.
Representative of the Caribbean	Saint Lucia		In accordance with the ParlAmericas Regulations, nominated individuals and parliaments must be represented in-person on Election Day .
Representative of the Caribbean	Dominica		
Representative of South America	Argentina		Completed forms must be submitted to ParlAmericas International Secretariat
Representative of South America	Chile		c/o Anabella Zavagno by email (Anabella.zavagno@parlamericas.org) or in person.
Event			Nominations are posted <u>here</u> on the ParlAmericas website as they are
Host Country of the 21 st Plenary Assembly	Paraguay	Parliaments or Parliamentary delegations at the Plenary Assembly that wish to submit an offer to host the 21 st Plenary Assembly (2025) in their country are asked to complete the <u>nomination</u> <u>form</u> .	received. For more information, please contact the International Secretariat.

According to RESOLUTION BDM 34-03, 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 twenty-two (22) elected members, distributed as follows:

- Three (3) representatives of different parliaments from North America; four (4) representatives of different parliaments from Central America; and five (5) representatives of different parliaments from South America, and the Caribbean, for a total of seventeen (17) representatives.
- Five (5) individuals elected by the attending delegations at the Plenary Assembly and at the respective gatherings of the ParlAmericas Parliamentary Networks: The President of the Board, the 1st Vice-President, the President of the Parliamentary Network for Gender Equality, the President of the Open Parliament Network and the President of the Parliamentary Network on Climate Change (who also act as 2nd Vice-Presidents 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
- A permanent representative from the OAS

ParlAmericas Regulations contain more detailed information about the election process of ParlAmericas