

Election Advisory – 18th Plenary Assembly – November/December 2021

Position	Incumbent	Nomination Procedures	Nomination Submittal
Board of Directors			Nominations will be accepted until 18:00
Representative of Central America	El Salvador	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 Form A  Sebential	the day before the Elections.
Representative of Central America	Panama		Elections shall be held during the closing Plenary Session of the Plenary Assembly.
Representative of the Caribbean	Cuba		In accordance with the ParlAmericas Regulations, nominated individuals and parliaments must be represented inperson on Election Day.  See Resolutions BDM 57-01 and 57-02 below for clarification on interpretation of the ParlAmericas Regulations with respect to holding the Plenary Assembly virtually.  Completed forms must be submitted to ParlAmericas International Secretariat c/o Anabella Zavagno by email (Anabella Zavagno@parlamericas.org) or in person.  Nominations are posted here on the ParlAmericas website as they are received.  For more information, please contact the International Secretariat.
Representative of the Caribbean	Saint Lucia		
Representative of South America	Argentina		
Representative of South America	Paraguay		
Host Country of the 19 <sup>th</sup> Plenary Assembly	Chile	Parliaments or Parliamentary delegations at the Plenary Assembly that wish to submit an offer to host the 19 <sup>th</sup> Plenary Assembly (2022) in their country are asked to complete Form B	

According to RESOLUTION BDM 34-03, ratified at the 11<sup>th</sup> 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.

According to RESOLUTION BDM 57-01 and 57-02, for the 18<sup>th</sup> ParlAmericas Plenary Assembly, which in the context of COVID-19 shall be organized as a series of virtual sessions, presence in the virtual Plenary Session where the Elections are administered shall constitute representation in-person for the purposes of compliance with the ParlAmericas Regulations, and the nomination submission deadline shall be applied for the time-zone of the country of the parliament or parliamentarian that is submitting the nomination form.



## **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

<u>ParlAmericas Regulations</u> contain more detailed information about the election process of ParlAmericas.



## FORM A: Sub-Regional Representatives (2021-2023)

## 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 18<sup>th</sup> Plenary Assembly 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 2021-2023 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 2021-			
Name of the Presiding Officer of the Parliament	of(country)			
Signature of the Presiding Officer of the Parliament	Date			
FORM B: Host Country of the 19th Plenary Meeting of ParlAmericas (2022)				
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 18th Plenary Meeting of ParlAmericas, I wish to indicate the willingness of my parliament to be considered for the position of host country of the 19th Plenary Assembly of ParlAmericas in 2022.				
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 19th Plenary Meeting of ParlAmericas			
Name of the Presiding Officer of the Parliament	of(country)			
Signature of the Presiding Officer of the Parliament				