

Parliamentarians from the Americas and the Caribbean will convene in Santiago, Chile to dialogue on the impact of digitalization on democracies

SANTIAGO (CHILE), April 19, 2023 — More than 50 parliamentarians from 18 countries of the Americas and the Caribbean will attend the 7th Gathering of the ParlAmericas Open Parliament Network “The Future of Democracy in the Digital Era,” taking place from April 20 to April 22, and organized by ParlAmericas and the National Congress of Chile as the host parliament.

During the Gathering, parliamentarians, along with specialists from local, regional and international organizations will analyze the opportunities and challenges posed by digital transformation processes in democratic systems, using the lens of open parliament. Participants will also explore initiatives that can help to guarantee inclusive, transparent and responsible governance. The [agenda](#) will emphasize the empowerment and participation of women in the digital world as a key condition for building more solid and stronger democracies.

The Gathering will open with welcoming remarks from Senator Juan Antonio Coloma, President of the Senate of Chile; Member of the Chamber of Deputies Vlado Mirosevic, President of the Chamber of Deputies of Chile and ParlAmericas’ Board Member; and Senator Javier Macaya (Chile), President of the ParlAmericas Open Parliament Network and host of the event. The keynote address will be delivered by Executive Secretary of the Presidential Committee on Public Integrity and Transparency, Valeria Lübbert (Chile).

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