

Parliamentarians from Latin America and the Caribbean attend hemispheric meeting on migration

Panama City (Panama), October 24, 2023 — Legislators from 14 countries in Latin America and the Caribbean take part in the interparliamentary meeting <u>Parliamentary perspectives for safe, orderly, and regular migration in Latin America and the Caribbean</u>, organized by ParlAmericas and the National Assembly of Panama, to be held on October 24 and 25, 2023.

The event, held within the framework of <u>Latin America and Caribbean Climate Week 2023</u>, also convenes experts, representatives of multilateral agencies, and civil society organizations to analyze recent trends in migration in the region and to explore the role of parliaments in adopting comprehensive human rights-based approaches to address the challenges and opportunities presented by migration.

The meeting, opened by Member of the National Assembly **Kayra Harding Bart** (Panama), Vice-President for Central America of the ParlAmericas Parliamentary Network for Gender Equality and host of the meeting, includes working sessions on key topics such as international instruments for migration governance, the rights of migrant children and youth, and the socioeconomic contributions of migrants.

Participants will share national migration policies and good legislative practices to coordinate actions to promote comprehensive, inclusive and human rights-based migration governance.

Quote

Member of the National Assembly Kayra Harding Bart (Panama), Vice-President for Central America of the ParlAmericas Parliamentary Network for Gender Equality, and host of the meeting

"In our region, the challenges presented by migration are numerous, but we have the opportunity to work in a coordinated manner to protect and promote the rights of migrants. Only through international cooperation can we achieve people-centered migration governance based on the highest human rights standards, with a gender, intersectional and intercultural perspective that promotes sustainable development."

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