



SENADO FEDERAL

REQUERIMENTO Nº DE - CDIR

Senhor Presidente,

Requeiro, nos termos dos arts. 13 e 215, I, “b”, do Regimento Interno do Senado Federal, em face do que dispõe o art. 55, III, da Constituição Federal, licença para desempenhar missão política ou cultural de interesse parlamentar, sem ônus para o Senado Federal, em Santiago - Chile, de 19/06/2024 a 21/06/2024, a fim de participar, no período de 19 a 21 de junho, da Primeira Conferência Regional de Comissões Parlamentares do Futuro, na CEPAL-Nações Unidas.

Comunico, nos termos do art. 39, I, do Regimento Interno do Senado Federal, que estarei ausente do País de 19/06/2024 a 21/06/2024.

Sala das Reuniões, 3 de junho de 2024.

Senadora Eliziane Gama
(PSD - MA)
Líder do Bloco Parlamentar Resistência Democrática - BLRESDEM





SENADO FEDERAL
Presidência

Ofício nº 0442.2024-PRESID

Brasília, 3 de junho de 2024.

A Sua Excelência a Senhora
Senadora **Eliziane Gama**
Senado Federal

Assunto: Autorização de viagem.
Ref.: Documento nº 00100.090237/2024-21.

Senhora Senadora,

Cumprimentando-a cordialmente, autorizo a participação de Vossa Excelência, com ônus ao Senado Federal com passagens aéreas, diárias e seguro-viagem, na *Primeira Conferência Regional de Comissões Parlamentares do Futuro*, a ser realizada na cidade de Santiago, no Chile, no período de **20 a 21 de junho de 2024**, nos termos do Ofício nº 21/2024-GSEGAMA e convite anexos.

Atenciosamente,

Senador **Rodrigo Pacheco**
Presidente do Senado Federal



**Office of the Executive Secretary
Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean**

CONCEPT NOTE

**Initiative for capacity-building in legislative foresight and for the
establishment and strengthening of committees of the future in Latin
America and the Caribbean**

1. Introduction

The world is at a turning point. Rapid technological advances, combined with various political, social and environmental factors, have ushered in profound and complex changes and uncertainty. It is not just a matter of how many changes, but the speed at which they are occurring. The disruption and uncertainty of the current era have not been seen in recent decades. As the Secretary-General of the United Nations said recently, the world has entered an "age of chaos". In the light of these manifold changes, there is a need for institutions and mechanisms that will help to interpret the current situation and anticipate the future through analysis of various scenarios.

Countries have an indispensable foresight and strategic role to fulfil, and this should be a continuous exercise in which the various political actors in parliament are involved. The purpose of legislative foresight is to anticipate the strategic options available to the State, based on long-term thinking for the adoption of State policies, and to allow for effective coordination of the public agenda—not only that of the legislative branch, but also that of the country as a whole—through a greater capacity for permanent social dialogue. This means building bridges, coordinating actors, and forging consensus and alliances that make it possible to address major challenges.

The Second World Summit of the Committees of the Future, held from 25 to 27 September 2023 in Montevideo, brought together more than 300 parliamentarians representing 70 parliaments from around the world. Organized jointly by the Parliament of Uruguay and the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU), the meeting built on the outcome of the First World Summit held in Finland, and featured more than 25 leading international experts who contributed to



the discussions. Participants called on the United Nations to highlight, at the seventy-ninth session of the General Assembly and the Summit of the Future in 2024, that the democratic mandate and future-oriented initiatives hold the key to sustainable and evolving solutions to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals.

There is a wealth international experience from which examples and good practice can be drawn. A number of developed countries have been continuously strengthening capacities for anticipation and the development of future scenarios and national, sectoral and territorial strategies. Some of the most notable examples at the international level are Finland, France and Spain in Europe, Canada and the United States in the Americas, the United Kingdom, Singapore, the European Union and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). *Latin America, however, must as a matter of urgency strengthen the capacity to think ahead, both at the legislative and executive levels.* Most countries of the region, with a few exceptions —Chile and Uruguay— currently lack institutions both in the legislative and executive spheres that would help to govern with a long-term perspective. However, some countries have undertaken efforts, at varying degrees of implementation, to establish committees of the future.

2. Objectives of the initiative

To address this deficit, the main objective of the ECLAC initiative is to increase capacities for legislative foresight and anticipatory governance through the establishment of a network of parliamentary committees of the future in Latin America and the Caribbean, with a view to:

- Holding regional meetings of parliamentary committees of the future to facilitate horizontal cooperation and share good practices among them.
- Strengthening committees of the future in the countries of the region where they already exist, providing resources and training to improve their functioning, effectiveness, impact and prominence.
- Promoting the establishment of committees of the future in countries where they do not yet exist but where there is an interest in them, providing technical assistance, institutional support and best practices for their establishment and functioning.
- Exploring possible support for the establishment of committees of the future at the executive level to seek synergies between the two branches where there are presidential systems.

3. The importance of understanding the state of the art and the frontier of knowledge of international expertise

Understanding and comparing legislative foresight capacity in the world and in Latin America and the Caribbean presents a unique opportunity for ECLAC to facilitate an initiative aimed at strengthening the capacity of parliaments in the region to anticipate and address future challenges.

In this context, the organization of the First Regional Conference of Parliamentary Future Commissions in Santiago, on 20 and 21 June 2024, will make it possible to identify challenges and opportunities for the strengthening and consolidation of parliamentary committees of the future in Latin America. The meeting will focus on strategic issues such as: the ECLAC proposal to move towards a more productive, inclusive and sustainable development model in Latin America and the Caribbean; the global and regional outlook for the main geopolitical and geostrategic trends; the state of the art regarding parliamentary committees of the future around the world and in Latin America; new public policy responses to emerging challenges such as climate change and artificial intelligence; and capacity-building for anticipatory governance and legislative foresight: tools, mechanisms and approaches to strengthen legislative innovation and adaptation.

Lastly, it is hoped that through a participatory process, the meeting will result in an agenda of recommendations and specific commitments for the establishment of a Latin American and Caribbean network that will strengthen the Committees of the Future. Another expected outcome will be the production of quality inputs for the Summit of the Future in 2024, from the perspective of parliaments and coordination with governments.



**First Regional Conference of
Parliamentary Committees of the Future**
Santiago, June 20 and 21 2024
Raúl Prebisch Conference Room, CEPAL, United Nations
Preliminary programme

Thursday, June 20

8 – 8.30 a.m. Registration of participants and collection of materials

8.45 – 9.15 a.m. **Opening of the meeting.**

Host: **Javier Medina, Deputy Executive Secretary, ECLAC.**

- **Rodrigo Goñi**, Chair of the Committee of the Future of the House of Representatives of Uruguay.
- **Juan Antonio Coloma**, Chair of the Committee of the Future of the Senate of Chile.

Introduction to the topic of parliamentary committees of the future in Latin America and brief introduction of participants.

9.15 – 10.30 a.m. **Session 1: Rethinking, reimagining and transforming: the “whats” and the “hows” of moving towards a more productive, inclusive and sustainable development model.**

Chair: **José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs**, Executive Secretary, ECLAC.

10.30 - 11.00 a.m. Coffee break

11.00 – 1.00 p.m. **Session 2: Global and regional outlook of major geopolitical and geostrategic trends – implications for the work of parliamentary committees of the future in Latin America.**

Moderator: **José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs**, Executive Secretary, ECLAC.

- **Rebeca Grynspan**, Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (Virtual).
- **Arancha Gonzalez Laya**, Paris School of International Affairs (Virtual).
- **Francisco Chahuán**, member of the Committee on Challenges of the Future, Science, Technology, and Innovation of the Senate of Chile (To be confirmed).



- **Zulma Sosa**, Coordinator of the Population and Development Area of the Latin American Demographic Centre (CELADE)-Population Division of ECLAC.
- **Cecilia Vera**, Economic Affairs Officer, Economic Development Division (To be confirmed).

Presentations. Debate.

1.00 – 2.30 p.m.

Lunch

2.30 – 4.00 p.m.

Session 3: Role of the parliamentary committees of the future in responding to emerging challenges, including climate change and artificial intelligence.

Moderator: **Rodrigo Goñi**, Chair of the Committee of the Future of the House of Representatives of Uruguay.

- **Andrea Meza**, Deputy Executive Secretary of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) (Virtual).
- **Dragoș Tudorache (Romania)**, Member of the European Parliament, (to be confirmed), Artificial Intelligence Act and in amending certain legislative acts of the European Union (Virtual).
- **Daniel Innerarity**, Researcher and Head of the Institute for Democratic Governance at the University of the Basque Country, and professor at the European University Institute in Florence, Italy (Virtual).
- **Camila Gramkow**, Economic Affairs Officer, Brazil Office, ECLAC (To be confirmed)

Round table, exchange of ideas and proposals.

4 – 4.30 p.m.

Coffee break

4.30 – 6 p.m.

Session 4: Parliamentary committees of the future in Latin American countries – experiences, new initiatives and case studies in development policymaking

Moderator: **Daniel Zovatto**. External consultant at ECLAC.

- **Juan Antonio Coloma**, Chair of the Committee of the Future of the Senate of Chile.
- **Rodrigo Goñi**, Chair of the Committee of the Future of the House of Representatives of Uruguay.
- **Andrea Álvarez**, Member of the Legislative Assembly of Costa Rica.
- **Blanca Alcalá Ruiz**, Vice-Chair of the Presiding Officers of the Chamber of Representatives of Mexico and Chair of the Advisory Council of the Latin American and Caribbean Parliament.

Presentations by panel of experts. Discussion.

Friday, June 21

9 – 10.30 a.m

Session 5: State-of-the-art parliamentary committees of the future – global success stories.

Moderator: **Silvia Hernández**, Chief of Staff, Office of the Executive Secretary of ECLAC.

- **Jeanette Kwek**, Head of the Centre for Strategic Futures, Strategy Group, Prime Minister's Office, Singapore (Virtual).
- **Timo Harakka**, Member of the Parliament of Finland, former Minister of Transport and Communications, Vice-Chair of the Committee for the Future of the Parliament of Finland, member of the European Union and foreign affairs parliamentary committees and author of Data Capitalism in a World of Crises (Virtual). (TBC).
- **Freya Windle – Wherle**, European Parliament, Directorate for Innovation and Central Services, attached to the Secretary-General, European Parliament.

Comparative analysis. Discussion.

10.30 – 11.00 a.m.

Coffee break

11.00 – 12.30 p.m.

Session 6: Capacities for anticipatory governance and legislative foresight – tools, mechanisms, and approaches for strengthening legislative innovation and adaptation.

Moderator: **Javier Medina**, Deputy Executive Secretary of ECLAC.

- **Alana Poole**, Deputy Head, Global Hub UN Futures Lab Network.
- **Piret Tõnurist**, Senior Expert of Anticipatory Innovation Governance, Observatory of Public Sector Innovation, OECD (Virtual).
- **Moema Freire**, Policy Specialist in Open and Inclusive Public Spheres, Accelerator Lab Network, UNDP (Virtual).

Round table, exchange of ideas and proposals.

12.30 – 2 p.m.

Lunch

2 – 3.30 p.m.

Session 7

Part A: Challenges and opportunities for strengthening and consolidating parliamentary committees of the future in Latin America

Part B: Strategies for fostering a culture of foresight in Latin American parliaments.

Moderator: **CEPAL**

Working session: existing committees, committees in the process of formation, committees in presidential systems that require simultaneous work in the executive and legislative branches

3.30 – 4 p.m.

Coffee break

4 – 6 p.m.

Session 8: Establishing a Latin American network to strengthen anticipatory legislative governance and the work of the region's parliamentary committees of the future – recommendations and commitments.

- **José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs**, Executive Secretary, ECLAC.

Round table, proposal of recommendations, agreements

6 – 6.30 p.m.

Close of the meeting

- **José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs**, Executive Secretary, ECLAC.
- **Juan Antonio Coloma**, Chair of the Committee of the Future of the Senate of Chile.
- **Rodrigo Goñi**, Chair of the Committee of the Future of the House of Representatives of Uruguay.