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AIM, OBJECTIVES & DELIVERABLES

AIM

The aim of the IPC was to enable parliamentarians to legislate, scrutinise and advocate for sustainability, energy and development within their respective countries.

OBJECTIVES

1. Advocate for the engagement of parliamentarians on the Sustainable Development Goals, with specific focus on sustainable energy;
2. Broaden the knowledge and skills of parliamentarians on key sustainable development challenges;
3. Explore the mechanisms that parliamentarians may use to hold governments to account to ensure that international commitments to development are implemented at a local, national and regional level;
4. Examine the relationship between governments, parliaments, civil society, the private sector and international donors responsible for the implementation of sustainability, energy and development.

OUTCOME

To collaborate with leading global organisations and experts in delivering a comprehensive, inclusive and informative programme, thus facilitating the development of an International Parliamentary Project on Sustainability, Energy and Development and leading to the establishment of an international community of best practice by April 2016.

OUTPUTS

Increase knowledge and build capacity of parliamentarians and parliamentary institutions on sustainability, energy and development by delivering the following outputs:

- Deliver an International Parliamentarians' e-Handbook on Sustainability, Energy and Development – Implementing the SDGs 2015-2030
- Deliver the International Parliamentary Conference on Sustainability, Energy & Development

BENEFICIARIES

- Members of parliament from the Commonwealth and non-Commonwealth countries
- Youth parliamentarians/activists
- International development organisations

KEY CONTRIBUTORS

- Climate Parliament
- Commonwealth Youth and Climate Change Network (CYCN)
- CPA Headquarters (CPA HQ)
- Department of Energy & Climate Change, UK (DECC)
- Department for International Development, UK (DFID)
- Foreign & Commonwealth Office, UK (FCO)
- GLOBE International
- UK Houses of Parliament
- United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP)
- Westminster Foundation for Democracy (WFD)
- World Bank Group (WBG)
- World Future Council



CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

Each of the IPC's sessions were themed, relating to the key challenges of sustainability, energy and development for parliamentarians. This section details the themes of the conference and how they contributed to the original **aim and objectives**.

DAY ONE

INTRODUCTION

The day began with an introduction from Ian Liddell-Grainger MP, Chair of the CPA UK Executive Committee, who noted that the opening day of the IPC coincided with Commonwealth Day. Later that evening, the Chair would lead an Adjournment debate in the House of Commons Chamber, where Rt Hon. Hugo Swire MP, the Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, would note that "events such as (this) are vital if we are to meet (the mandate) of implementing the UN Sustainable Development Goals". Rt Hon. Baroness D'Souza CMG PC, Lord Speaker, formally opened the conference with a thought-provoking address on the role of parliamentarians in scrutinising and implementing policies on sustainable development.



Samir Ibrahim gives a TEDx-style talk to the delegates

BEING INSPIRED

The first session set the scene and put sustainability in its wider, global context, **thus providing parliamentarians with a broader perspective of the challenges faced** (*Objective 2*). Two high profile members of the UK House of Lords, Rt Hon. Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Climate Change; and Rt Hon. Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale, Co-Chair of the UK All Party Parliamentary Group on SDGs, gave an overview of the creation and critical nature of the SDGs, before delegates heard from Dr David Nabarro, the UN's Special Adviser on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, via video message. Dr Nabarro highlighted the importance of the conference and stressed the key role of parliamentarians, given their ability to enact legislation, formulate policies, provide oversight and approve budgets.

Two inspiring speeches followed this introduction, **empowering parliamentarians by making them consider more profoundly their role in implementing legislation in support of the Sustainable Development Goals** (*Objective 1*). The first, from the author and campaigner Tristram Stuart vividly brought to life the key issue of food sustainability, food waste and the link between food and energy consumption, dismissing claims that there should be a global increase in food production. He spoke passionately of the need for parliamentarians to have "fire in their guts", representing the rights of their citizens. Concluding the first session, Samir Ibrahim, Chief Executive of SunCulture, emphasised the importance of parliamentarians as the bridge between technocrats, and the communities for whom they design sustainable solutions, drawing on his experience of providing solar energy for high-value products in Global South countries.



The panel outline the importance of democracy in SDG implementation

SETTING THE SCENE: ENERGY MATTERS

The next session focused primarily on the issue of energy policies, particularly policies related to the development of renewables. Chaired by Mary Creagh MP, the Chair of the UK House of Commons' Environmental Audit Committee, the session touched on a range of topics **including the positive impact of access to cheap, sustainable energy on economic development** (*Objective 1*). Andrew Scott, from the Overseas Development Institute pointed out that renewable energy – such as solar or tidal power – is often the least costly option, particularly for those communities in remote, off-grid areas.



He was followed by Stefan Schurig from World Future Council and Nick Dunlop from Climate Parliament, who both offered stark warnings of the need for action to tackle climate change and described COP21 as a way of protecting the global population against the impact of global warming. The final speaker in this session, Dr Adrian Ely, from the Social, Technological and Environmental Pathways to Sustainability (STEPS) Centre, **raised the importance of knowledge and democracy in ensuring the implementation of sustainability, energy and development policies** (Objectives 1 and 2).

REGIONAL WORKSHOPS

The final session of the day offered an opportunity to reflect on the outcomes of the three regional workshops in Africa, Asia and the Caribbean. Baroness Scott of Needham Market said that the Westminster model for democracy should be a “framework not a straitjacket”. Hon. Dr Bhoendradatt Tewarie MP from Trinidad & Tobago emphasised the need for countries to tackle regional issues in order to comprehensively achieve the global goals. Meanwhile Dawn Butler MP from the UK noted the high pollution levels she encountered in India as a stark example of the current problems with emissions levels. Finally Hon. Hanna Songowa MP from Sierra Leone and Hon. Kinoti Gatobu MP from Kenya reported back on the African conference in Nairobi, with Ms Songowa describing it as “exciting and motivating”.



Delegates listen to Rt Hon. Desmond Swayne TD VR MP on the parliamentary estate

The day ended with a reception in the presence of Rt Hon. Desmond Swayne TD VR MP, Minister of State for International Development, UK Parliament – introduced by Ian Liddell-Grainger MP, Chair of the CPA UK Executive Committee – to launch CPA UK’s e-Handbook on sustainability, energy and development. The reception was an opportunity for delegates to discuss the day’s proceedings. There was also an opportunity to hear about how parliamentarians can act against climate change from Graham Stuart MP, Chair of GLOBE International.

DAY TWO

FINANCING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



Speakers stress the importance of cross-sector cooperation on the SDGs

The session was chaired by Rt Hon. Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale, Co-Chair of the UK All Party Parliamentary Group on SDGs. Lord McConnell drew delegates’ attention to the previous night’s launch of CPA UK’s e-Handbook on sustainability, energy and development, depicting it as a critical tool for parliamentarians, before handing over to the day’s first speaker, Josue Tanaka from the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD). Mr Tanaka gave an overview of climate finance in practice, with the key discussion element being **the importance of having a mix of financing both public sector and private sector projects** (Objectives 4 and 2).



DAY THREE

ENERGY SECURITY, ENERGY ACCESS AND TRANSPARENCY

The key theme of ensuring energy security, energy access and transparency was the subject of the first session of the third day of the conference. It was opened by Hon. Nicole Olivierre MP, the Minister for Energy and Energy Industries of Trinidad and Tobago.

Ms Olivierre noted the unique nature of the Commonwealth, bringing together as it does a diverse range of nations. **She urged the assembled parliamentarians to never underestimate their role in influencing legislation (Objective 1).**

The Chair introduced Prof. Nathan Hultman from the University of Maryland School of Public Policy. Between 2014 and 2016, Prof Hultman worked at the White House on President Obama's Climate and Energy Policy Team, and his presentation informed delegates of the unequal access to energy that exists around the world. He also drew a link between poor access to energy and poor health, with the sobering fact that around two million excess deaths a year are caused by the use of indoor wood-fired cooking appliances.

He was followed by Dr Jim Cust from the Natural Resource Governance Institute who focused specifically on how resource-rich countries can achieve sustainable development. He noted that there are no Sustainable Development Goals for resource management but that **resource management is critical for the success of the SDGs (Objective 2).**

There then followed a highly engaging question and answer breakout session where the diverse range of issues faced by Commonwealth and non-Commonwealth countries was highlighted.

WESTMINSTER-STYLE COMMITTEE HEARINGS



One of the committee hearings on financing sustainable development

The afternoon focused on Westminster-style committee hearings, giving delegates the chance to put the information they had acquired so far to practice **familiarising themselves with a powerful tool for the scrutinisation of government policies (Objective 3).**

The first group scrutinised issues around financing for sustainable development, putting questions to Dr Justin A. Ram from the Caribbean Development Bank and Ben Good from Global Village Energy Partnership. The second group focused on the same topic, with Josue Tanaka from the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development and Damian Ryan from The Climate Group being the expert witnesses. The third group focused on the use of data and indicators in monitoring the SDGs,

featuring Martin Horwood from Development Initiatives, Jo Howard from the Institute of Development Studies and Stephanie Weckend from the International Renewable Energy Agency.

The groups were chaired by three parliamentarians – the UK's Lord Purvis of Tweed and Rt Hon. Sir Alan Haselhurst MP, and Hon. Jonathan Young MP from New Zealand. All sessions featured highly engaging questions and answers with excellent participation from delegates, including extremely perceptive supplementary questions. The hearings were followed by a debrief where delegates discussed the themes raised and also the way in which the hearings were conducted, such as the importance of developing effective questions and the skills needed to chair a committee. They discussed how committees are structured, and compared the Westminster system with committee systems in their own country. Delegates agreed that it was a highly rewarding session, especially for those from countries that do not have witness-based committee sessions.



DAY FOUR

WESTMINSTER-STYLE CHAMBER DEBATE

The final day of CPA UK’s International Parliamentary Conference saw delegates head to the Houses of Parliament to take part in a Westminster-style chamber debate - **another mechanism at the disposal of parliamentarians to raise awareness about important issues (Objective 1), and also to hold their governments to account (Objective 3).**

The debate – held in the Grand Committee Room – was chaired by Eleanor Laing MP, First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means and Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons, on the motion “That this House agrees that COP21 has secured the global carbon emissions cap”. The motion, proposed by Crossbench Peer Lord Oxburgh KBE, reminded delegates of the rapid growth in CO² emissions over the past 150 years. He said he was broadly optimistic about the COP21 agreement but cautioned that it was merely the first step on a long and difficult road.



Hon. Senator Silvia Garza from Mexico debates the COP21 agreement

Opposing the motion was Hon. Sen Silvia Garza from Mexico, who said the agreement was not ambitious enough, arguing that the planet was already on a state of “red alert”. This was followed by a lively and wide-ranging debate featuring over 20 speakers. There were passionate contributions on both sides of the argument, with many delegates pointing to specific concerns in their own country, however when the vote was called, the motion was rejected by 25 votes to 12. The debate was followed by a debrief session, allowing delegates to discuss the structure of the debate, and how it compared to parliamentary debates in their own parliaments and legislatures.

PARTNERSHIPS ACROSS SECTORS



Hon. Md. Faruk Khan MP from Bangladesh puts forward his view

The morning concluded with a session on the **importance of partnerships, whether they be with the media, civil society, the private sector or other key players (Objective 4).**

Peter Knowles, Controller of BBC Parliament gave an insight into the role of the media, offering parliamentarians advice on how to get their message across. He stressed the importance of ensuring they understand their audience, and making sure they have an awareness of the wider news agenda, so that their debates and reports do not get swamped by other news stories.

Dr Joanna Setzer from the Grantham Research Institute at the London School of Economics (LSE) urged parliamentarians to remember the key role played by sub-national and regional authorities, underlining the importance of adapting approaches to SDG implementation from one community to the next. Neil Thorns from Climate Coalition and CAFOD spoke of the importance of engaging with NGOs and wider civil society, as well as emphasising the different, more inclusive and active engagement surrounding the SDGs as opposed to the MDGs. Finally Sharon Brooks from the United Nations Environment Programme-World

Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC) spoke about how to connect with the private sector and the challenges and limitations of dealing with data, focusing on the role of partnerships in providing sources when the public might be hesitant to share information.



CLOSING

After lunch and a group photo with Rt Hon. Justine Greening MP, Secretary of State for International Development, delegates held a **“world café” session with civil society, NGOs and private sector representatives**. The discussions, based in small groups, **gave delegates the opportunity to brainstorm ideas on how to encourage and create mutual cooperation to implement and monitor the SDGs at a national level (Objective 4)**. During the following feedback session, each delegate filled out a pledge card that outlined their commitment to tackling climate change. These pledges would be reviewed every month for 6 months by CPA UK to ensure that they had been fulfilled. The day ended with an inspiring speech from Jennie King from the Commonwealth Youth Climate Change Network (CYCN) on the role of youth in promoting sustainable development. The conference came to a formal close with a speech from Lord Purvis of Tweed, a member of CPA UK’s Executive Committee, who re-emphasised the importance of parliamentarians and youth parliament members in implementing the SDGs and thanked the delegates for their attendance whilst wishing them luck in fulfilling their commitments to tackling climate change in their home nations.



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YOUR PLEDGE

On Thursday 17 March 2016, you pledged to undertake the following:

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An example of a pledge undertaken during the International Parliamentary Conference



OUTCOMES

The following section outlines the outcomes of the International Parliamentary Conference - contextualised within the conference's aim and objectives - immediately after its conclusion. In addition to these outcomes, there will be a six month follow-up to further monitor the effectiveness of the IPC and delegates' progress in legislating for the Sustainable Development Goals.

1. Advocate for the engagement of parliamentarians on the Sustainable Development Goals, with specific focus on sustainable energy (Objective 1).

Delegates

In attending the IPC, **parliamentarians contributed to the creation of a platform whereby they shared ideas with one another, discussed best-practice standards on SDG implementation and created a network of legislative champions for sustainability, energy and development.** In total, 48 parliamentarians from 22 Commonwealth and seven non-Commonwealth countries attended the conference¹, with more than 35 speakers and 25 observers from the public, private and non-profit sectors also contributing their expertise.² This facilitated a truly inclusive programme and a collective drive for positive action on climate change.

Stakeholder Engagement

The high-level ministerial and presiding officer involvement from the UK Parliament aided greatly in raising the profile of the conference and served to highlight the critical nature of the SDGs. Throughout the week delegates were able to engage with:

- Rt Hon. Baroness D'Souza CMG PC, Lord Speaker, UK House of Lords
- Rt Hon. Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth, Parliamentary Under-Secretary, Department of Energy and Climate Change
- Rt Hon. Desmond Swayne TD VR MP, Minister of State for International Development
- Eleanor Laing MP, First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means and Deputy Speaker, UK House of Commons
- Rt Hon. Justine Greening MP, Secretary of State for International Development

Thematic Discussion

Delegates participated in sessions which provided a compendious summary of SDG-related topics, allowing for a wide-ranging and comprehensive programme.³

Communications

The conference received much attention on social media, with approximately 206 tweets and "likes" of tweets throughout the week and a prevalent usage of the #SDGParliament hashtag, which continued after the IPC's conclusion. There was also regional media coverage in New Zealand from online media outlet Scoop.⁴

Parliamentary Pledges

As part of their commitment to advocating for SDG implementation, delegates made individual pledges on sustainability, energy and development. Every month, for 6 months, CPA UK will send a reminder which will prompt participating parliamentarians to provide an update on the state of their pledge and steps taken to fulfil it.

Funding

The total cost of the IPC came to £108,242, with £22,409 of the total paid for by UNDP, CPA HQ and Westminster Foundation for Democracy.

1 For the full list of delegates for the International Parliamentary Conference, see Appendix 2
 2 For the full list of speakers and observers for the International Parliamentary Conference, see Appendices 3 and 4 respectively
 3 For a full outline of the programme for the International Parliamentary Conference, see Appendix 1
 4 <http://www.scoop.co.nz/stories/PA1603/S00231/nz-parliament-engages-on-sustainable-development.htm>



Rt Hon. Baroness D'Souza CMG PC, Lord Speaker at the IPC



1630-1730	Session 2: Output of the International Parliamentary Project Regional Workshops & Case studies	<p>In advance of the IPC, CPA UK organised three Regional Workshops in Africa, the Caribbean and Asia-Pacific. The purpose of this session is for Workshop participants to share the outcomes, and their learning and experience, as well as the sustainability and energy context of their region. Participants will explain how they will use the knowledge acquired during the Workshops to push their respective national and international energy and sustainability agendas.</p> <p>Chair: Hon. Winston Connolly MLA, Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly</p> <p><i>Panellists (In order of appearance)</i></p> <p>Baroness Scott of Needham Market, UK Parliament and Hon. Dr Bhoendradatt Tewarie MP, Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago - Caribbean Regional Workshop Dawn Butler MP, House of Commons (UK) - Asia-Pacific Regional Workshop Hon. Hanna Songowa MP, Parliament of Sierra Leone and Hon. Kinoti Gatobu MP, Parliament of Kenya - Africa Regional Workshop</p> <p>Church House Conference Centre</p>
1730-1800	Delegates escorted to the Evening Reception at the Houses of Parliament	
1800-2000	Welcome Reception and the Launch of the International Parliamentarians e-Handbook on Sustainability and Development	<p><i>By Invitation Only</i></p> <p><i>(Objective 5)</i></p> <p>CPA & IPU Rooms, Houses of Parliament</p>
2000	Close of Day 1 A coach will take delegates back to the Doubletree Hilton Hotel	



TUESDAY 15 MARCH 2016 - DAY 2

IMPLEMENTATION

0900-1000 **SESSION 3: Financing Sustainable Development**

“Greening investment at scale is a precondition for achieving sustainable growth. The investment required for the water, agriculture, telecoms, power, transport, buildings, and industrial and forestry sectors, according to current growth projections, stands at about US\$5 trillion per year to 2020.”¹

This session will focus on financing for sustainability and in particular renewable energy. What are the investment opportunities currently available and how can parliamentarians create a more attractive environment for investment in renewable energy? Panellists will focus on the challenges of ensuring that financial flows to developing countries achieve the projected outcomes cost effectively.

Chair: Rt Hon. Lord McConnell of Glenscorrodale, Co-Chair of the All Party Parliamentary Group on SDGs, UK Parliament

Panellists (In order of appearance)

- Josue Tanaka**, Managing Director, Operational Strategy and Planning, Energy Efficiency and Climate Change, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
- Dr Justin A. Ram**, Director, Economics, Caribbean Development Bank (CDB)

(Objectives 2 & 4)

1000-1045 **Breakout - Role of Parliamentarians and Budgeting: Ensuring Economic Stability, Financial Incentives and Constituency Development Funds**

These breakout sessions will look at the mechanisms that parliamentarians have to ensure finances are sourced to invest in sustainable energy and development.

In split groups, participants will undertake an exercise in determining parliamentary mechanisms for creating an ‘enabling economic environment’.

(Objectives 2 & 3)

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Conference Centre

1045-1100 *Coffee / Tea Break*

1100-1215 **Session 4: Implementing and Legislating Policies on Renewable Energies and Climate Change**

This session will explore the potential of renewable energy and the impact of climate change. It will look at the role of parliamentarians in transforming the energy sector. Panellists will provide a general overview of the status of renewable energy in the Caribbean, Europe, Africa, America and Asia-Pacific, paying special attention to ensuring good decision-making when it comes to implementing mitigation and adaptation policies. Panellists will have the opportunity to explore the particular experiences of policy makers, private sector and civil society stakeholders in introducing such policies.

Chair: Rt Hon. Lord Deben, UK Parliament and Chairman of the UK’s Committee on Climate Change

Panellists (In order of appearance)

- Michal Nachmany**, Lead author of the Global Climate Legislation Study, Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment, London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE), London, UK
- Robert Ondhowe**, Programme Manager, Energy and Climate Change, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
- Julia Keutgen**, Parliamentary Development Specialist, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- Graham Stuart MP**, Chair, Globe International and UK Parliament

(Objectives 1 & 2)

¹The Greening Investment RPT - The Ways and Means to Unlock Private Finance for Green Growth, World Economic Forum 2013



1215-1300	Breakout - Role of Parliamentarians in Legislating for Sustainability
<p>Legislating is the core process for parliamentarians to implement change. These breakout sessions will look at mechanisms and techniques available to legislate for sustainability. How to draft good laws and the role of parliamentarians in the legislative process. How can Parliamentarians ensure that legislation is SDG compliant, and how can legislation allow for diversification of energy sector? What support is available from external organisations?</p>	
<i>(Objectives 2 & 3)</i>	
1300-1400	<i>Lunch</i>
1330-1400	<i>During the lunch break:</i> : Book launch ‘Sustainable Development: Thinking about it, Making it Happen’ by Dr Bhoendradatt Tewarie MP , Parliament of Trinidad & Tobago
1400-1515	SESSION 5: Access to Statistics, Data and Information
<p>This session will provide background information on the targets and expected indicators related to energy and sustainability. Panellists will discuss the global development process and how data can be collected, especially for countries lacking sufficient capacity. Panellists will share several case studies and provide useful information on existing parliamentary services to access information.</p>	
<p>Chair: Baroness Scott of Needham Market, UK Parliament</p>	
<p>Church House Conference Centre</p>	
<p><i>Panellists (In order of appearance)</i></p>	
<p>Glenn Everett, Programme Director, Measuring National Well-being, UK Office for National Statistics (ONS), UK Stephanie Weckend, Programme Officer Knowledge, International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), UAE Dr Aaron Goater, Energy Adviser, Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology (POST), UK</p>	
<i>(Objective 2)</i>	
1515-1615	Breakout - Methodology to Access Tools and Information
<i>(Objectives 2 & 3)</i>	
1615-1630	<i>Coffee / Tea Break</i>
1630-1700	SESSION 6: Briefing on the Chamber Debate and Committee Hearing
<p>This session will provide information and materials about the Chamber Debate and the Westminster-Style Committee Hearing activities.</p>	
1700	End of Day 2

ABOUT CPA UK

CPA UK is one of the largest and most active branches in the CPA community, and delivers a full programme of international parliamentary activities in Westminster and overseas. Governed by an Executive Committee of parliamentarians from all main parties, CPA UK's work includes parliamentary diplomacy and parliamentary strengthening on behalf of the UK Parliament and the wider CPA.

Its activities include conferences, seminars, workshops and interparliamentary exchanges on parliamentary practice and procedure, policy and issues of international interest and concern.

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ABOUT CPA HQ

The CPA is the forum which enables Commonwealth Parliamentarians to reach beyond their own Houses to contribute in a global setting to the development of the best parliamentary practices and the most effective policies. They do this by talking to each other – exchanging information, sharing experiences and debating policies. The CPA is recognized by Commonwealth Heads of Government and intergovernmental agencies as an organization which actually does strengthen good parliamentary governance and contribute tangibly to the development of all Commonwealth people.



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CARBON OFFSETTING

In line with CPA UK's commitment to environmental sustainability, this workshop will be offset via a contracted carbon-offsetting organisation. This will include all delegate and contributor flights and will utilise recycled materials for many of its products.