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Dear colleagues, we are pleased to share with you **the third edition of the INTER PARES newsletter**. [Message from the team](#)



On 24-26 November, INTER PARES organized the workshop 'Parliaments and Youth: Bridging the Gap'. The workshop brought together representatives of EU institutions, EU Member State Parliaments, Partner Parliaments from around the world, and youth organisations to strategize for enhanced youth participation in democratic decision-making. The workshop explores a range of successful initiatives and solutions to overcome barriers to effective youth participation in parliamentary processes. The discussion also helped identify gaps between the needs of youth and the avenues for participation currently offered by parliaments. [Read more](#)

## AGORA Relaunch

The AGORA platform, the leading online knowledge hub for parliamentary development was relaunched on November 30. [Read more here](#)

## Partnerships Update

During autumn 2020, we continued to adapt our peer-to-peer partnership activities to the travel restrictions and lockdown requirements, with our EUMSP and Partner Parliaments implementing revised activities through virtual and hybrid approaches. [Read about our recent activities here](#)



## INTER PARES COURSES

INTER PARES is delighted to announce the launch of its first e-learning courses. All INTER PARES courses can be accessed on [the AGORA e-learning platform](#). [Read more about the launched courses on our website](#)

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In December, INTER PARES co-organized the international online conference *Parliaments and Democratic Innovations: Adapting the capacities of parliaments to changing democracies* in collaboration with the European Parliament and the European Commission. This conference brought together 20 prominent speakers from parliaments, academia, the media, and civil society to share and discuss their ideas with the event's 750 participants. [Read more](#)



**Watch Session I "A role for parliaments in changing representative democracy"**

**Watch Session II "Deliberative democracy: Impact on parliaments"**

**Watch Session III "Covid-19 and the future of parliaments"**

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International IDEA celebrated its 25th Anniversary on the 19-20 of November through a 25-hour conference, "**Democracy Now and Next.**" During the conference, the Institute showcased its work across the whole field of democracy-strengthening through **12 sessions and 63 speakers** organized by the regional and country offices. The [session recordings are available now on YouTube](#). You can learn more about the Anniversary activities at [www.idea.int/25years](http://www.idea.int/25years)

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## Relevant events in the parliamentary development community

**LA DÉMOCRATIE À  
L'HORIZON 2030**  
PARTIE 3

**QUAND LA CRISE SANITAIRE REDÉFINIT  
LA PARTICIPATION CITOYENNE**



#Démocratie2030



### **Legislative leadership in the time of Covid-19**

10-11am - Tuesday 19th January 2021



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**Inter-Parliamentary Union**  
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**Webinar - The role of parliamentarians to advance  
disarmament in cyber space: A focus on cyber-  
warfare and peace**

Wednesday, 27 January 2021, 16:00 - 18:00 CET

## Staff Updates



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