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## 7<sup>TH</sup> CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY OF PARLIAMENTARIANS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT AND THE RULE OF LAW

*Celebrating 10 years of the Rome Statute*  
Chamber of Deputies, Parliament of Italy  
Rome, Italy  
10-11 December 2012

Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA) is a network of more than 1300 parliamentarians from 135 countries around the world mobilised to use their legislative and political prerogatives for the solution of global problems. Under the umbrella of the International Law and Human Rights Programme, as of June 2012, the *PGA Campaign for the Universality and Effectiveness of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (PGA ICC Campaign)* has contributed to the ratification of 75 out of 121 States Parties to the Rome Statute to the International Criminal Court (ICC). On account of this *Campaign*, PGA is widely recognized as *the* parliamentary network working on international justice and the ICC.

*The Consultative Assembly of Parliamentarians for the International Criminal Court and the Rule of Law (CAP ICC)* is the largest event of the PGA ICC Campaign, and it is the only global gathering of legislators focused solely on the International Criminal Court and on the fight against impunity for the most serious crimes of international concern.

The CAP ICC allows parliamentarians to present to the international community the progress achieved in their own country as well as to debate actively with ICC officials and international decision-makers on the developments at the ICC and political capitals on the best strategies to protect victims and fight against impunity.

The 7<sup>th</sup> session of the CAP ICC will be hosted by the Parliament of Italy in the birthplace of the ICC established by the Rome Statute of 1998, and will be the main parliamentary event to mark the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Entry into Force of the Rome Statute of the ICC (2002-2012).

## Participants

*All democratically elected Parliaments* have received from the President of the Italian Chamber of Deputies, Mr. G. Fini, and the President of PGA, Mr. R. Robertson, MP (New Zealand) a written invitation to attend the CAP-ICC.

**Parliamentary delegations** will be primarily composed of legislators working directly on ICC-related topics, foreign affairs, defense, human rights, development, conflict management, education, health, budget.

The delegations of numerous states will be led by the **Speaker** of the relevant legislative assembly.

Parliamentarians will be invited to participate actively in the debate by sharing the challenges and progress they or their countries are facing.

**ICC Officials:** As every session of the CAP-ICC, the highest ICC officials will be invited to actively participate in a debate session with the participants, starting with the President and the Prosecutor.

**High Level International Officials** will be invited to represent relevant international organizations involved in the fight against impunity, the protection of civilians and the representation of regional interest in conflict situations.

**Government Officials:** The CAP-ICC will be opened by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Italy. Other Italian officials are expected to confirm attendance.

Selected **delegates to the Assembly of States Parties of the Rome Statute** will be invited to attend as observers.

The CAP ICC is open to **NGOs** representatives and selected experts upon invitation.

## Schedule

<b>Arrival of delegations:</b>	Sunday, December 9
<b>Opening and Day 1:</b>	Monday, December 10
<b>Day 2 and Closing:</b>	Tuesday, December 11
<b>Departure of participants:</b>	Wednesday, December 12

## Venue

Chamber of Deputies, Parliament of Italy, Rome

## Agenda Items

- **Debate on Prosecutorial Strategy: Deterrence and Effectiveness**  
*Direct interaction with the Office of the Prosecutor of the ICC*
- **Universality of the Rome Statute**  
*Report of Progress and Parliamentary strategies and challenges to attain more ratifications and accessions*
- **Parliamentarians and the principle of complementarity**  
*Legislators' contribution to the adoption of legislation and the creation of political will for domestic prosecutions of ICC crimes in light of the principle of complementarity, and especially taking into consideration gender and sexual-related crimes*
- **Cooperation with the ICC**  
*Parliamentary contribution to effective international cooperation with the ICC, especially with respect to the enforcement of arrest warrants, the freezing of assets, and the protection of witnesses and victims.*
- **Legal challenges to regional cooperation with the ICC**  
*The African Union position and the Head of State Immunity*
- **Parliamentary contribution to the entry into force of the Kampala Review Conference Amendments**  
*Actions to advance the ratification of the amendments on the crime of aggression and on war crimes.*
- **Challenges for the Relationship between the ICC and the UN Security Council**  
*Selectivity, use of veto, transparency, effectiveness, funding*
- **Discussion and Adoption of The Rome Action Plan**  
*To give effect to the result-oriented deliberations of the CAP-ICC*

## Working Languages

The working languages of the proceedings of the CAP ICC will be English, French, Spanish, Arabic and Italian.