Launch of a parliamentary handbook on disarmament for security and sustainable development

Online event: Thursday November 5
4pm-5:30pm Central Europe Time (10am – 11:30 Eastern Time USA)

Chair: Ms Vanda Proskova, Czech Republic
Gender, Peace and Security Program Director, Parliamentarians for Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament
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Speakers:

Ms Katherine Prizeman, United Nations
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Hon Mr Saber Chowdhury MP, Bangladesh
Honorary President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union
Co-President of Parliamentarians for Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament

Hon Mr Naveed Qamar MP, Pakistan
Convenor of Parliamentarians for Global Action
International Peace and Security Program

Hon Ms Daisy Tourné, Uruguay
President of the Parliamentary Forum on Small Arms and Light Weapons

Hon Ms Maria Fernanda Espinosa, Ecuador
Member World Future Council
Former President of the UN General Assembly

Mr Alyn Ware, NZ/Czech Republic
Handbook editor
Global Coordinator of Parliamentarians for Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament

Presentations will be followed by Q&A from event participants.

In 2018, UN Secretary-General António Guterres released a report, Securing our Common Future: An Agenda for Disarmament, which outlined a set of goals and practical measures across the entire range of disarmament issues, including weapons of mass destruction, conventional arms and future weapon technologies. Parliamentarians play key roles to ensure implementation of disarmament goals. The handbook to be launched at this event provides background to these disarmament issues, makes connections between disarmament and sustainable development, provides examples of effective policies and parliamentary action, and offers recommendations for further parliamentary action. In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the handbook also includes a focus on disarmament and pandemics.

Registration required: Click here to register.

Note: This event is in English. A launch event in French will be held on Friday November 6. Click here for information.


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