

**PROVISIONAL PROGRAM**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Day One</b> <b>Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2019</b></p>		
10:00 – 18:00	On-site Registration of Participants	Conference Secretariat
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Day Two</b> <b>Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2019</b></p>		
08:00 – 18:00	On-site Registration of Participants	Conference Secretariat
<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Speaker/Facilitator</b>
<p><b>SESSION ONE: WELCOME REMARKS AND OFFICIAL OPENING</b></p> <p><b>Convener:</b> Hon. Aisha Jumwa, M.P, Chair, Commission Committee on Information and Public Communication</p>		
09:00 -10:00	<p>Remarks By:</p> <p><b>Mr. Michael Sialai, EBS</b> Clerk of the National Assembly, Kenya</p> <p>Remarks By:</p> <p><b>Mr. J.M. Nyegenye, CBS</b> Clerk of the Senate/Secretary to the Parliamentary Service Commission, Kenya</p> <p><b><u>Key Note Address &amp; Official Opening</u></b></p> <p><b>Hon. Justin B. N. Muturi, EGH, MP</b> Speaker of the National Assembly, Kenya</p>	<p><b>Moderator:</b></p> <p>Mr. Clement Nyandiere, Director General, Parliamentary Joint Services, Parliament of Kenya</p>
10:00 - 10:30	<i>Photo Session and Health Break</i>	

**SESSION TWO: INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF PARLIAMENTARY RESEARCH SERVICES:  
OVERVIEW OF THE VARIOUS MODELS**

**Convener:** Hon. Dr. Naomi Shaban M.P - Vice Chair  
Parliamentary Service Commission, Kenya

**Session Moderator:** Mr. Michael Sialai, EBS  
Clerk of the National Assembly, Kenya

**Key Note Speaker:** Mr. J.M. Nyegenye, CBS, Clerk of the Senate/Secretary to the Parliamentary Service Commission, Kenya

10:30 - 11:00	Key Note Statement	<b>Mr. J.M. Nyegenye, CBS,</b> Clerk of the Senate/Secretary, Parliamentary Service Commission, Kenya
11:00 – 11:30	Global Perspective of an Effective Parliamentary Research Service	IFLA
11:30 – 12:00	The roles and models for an efficient Parliamentary Research Service: Jurisdictional experiences and best practice	IPU
12:00 – 13:00	Plenary	
13:00 – 14:00	<b>Lunch break</b>	

**SESSION THREE: CAPACITY STRENGTHENING OF RESEARCHERS IN LEGISLATURES:  
MECHANISMS, OPPORTUNITIES AND BEST PRACTICES**

**Convener:** Hon. Benson Momanyi, MP  
Member, Parliamentary Service Commission, Kenya

**Session Moderator:** Prof. Nyokabi Kamau, Executive Director  
Centre for Parliamentary Studies and Training (CPST)

**Key Note Speaker:** Bureau of Parliamentary Studies and Training (BPST), Lok Sabha

14:00 – 14:30	Key Note Statement	BPST
14:30 – 15:00	Strengthening Capacity-Building for Parliamentary Research Officers: Initiatives, Programs, Opportunities and Challenges	IPU
15:00 – 15:30	Plenary	

**SESSION FOUR: PLENUM SESSIONS**

16:00 – 17:00	<b>Plenum 1: Institutionalization of Parliamentary Research Services: Overview of the Various Models</b>
	<b>Plenum 2: Capacity Strengthening of Researchers in Legislatures: Mechanisms and Best Practices</b>

*(Tea will be served throughout this session. Participants may break briefly and resume ongoing sessions)*

18:00 – 20:00	Welcome Cocktail hosted by the Parliament of Kenya	
<b>END OF DAY TWO</b>		
<b>Day Three</b> <b>Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2019</b>		
8:30 – 9:00	<b>Re-cap of Plenum Sessions</b>	<b>Rapporteurs</b>
<p><b>SESSION FIVE: EVIDENCE FOR DECISION MAKING IN AFRICAN PARLIAMENTS: STATUS, CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES</b></p> <p><b>Convener:</b> Hon. Dr. Makali Mulu,MP Chair, Evidence Informed Policy Caucus in Kenya</p> <p><b>Session Moderator:</b> Mr. Paul Ngetich Director, Information &amp; Research Services Parliament of Kenya</p> <p><b>Key Note Speaker:</b> African Institute For Development Policy (AFIDEP)</p>		
9:00 – 9:30	Key Note Statement	AFIDEP
9.30 – 10:00	Enhancing Evidence-Use: Lessons from Different Jurisdictions	IFLA
10:00 – 10:30	Balancing Political Power and Authority with the use of Research Evidence in Decision-making	National Conference of State Legislatures
10:30 – 10:45	Use of Evidence in legislative decision making in African Parliaments: Country Lessons and Experiences	<b>Mr. Bonnie Mathoko</b> , Chief Research Officer Parliament of Kenya
10:45 – 11:15	Plenary	
11:00 – 11:30	<b>Health Break</b>	

**SESSION SIX: PARTNERING WITH PARLIAMENTS: THE ROLE OF RESEARCH AND POLICY INSTITUTIONS**

**Convener:** Hon Dr. Lorna Mumelo, MP  
Member, Parliamentary Service Commission, Kenya

**Session Moderator:** Ms. Eunice Gichangi,  
Senior Deputy Clerk, Senate of Kenya

**Key Note Speaker:** Organization for Social Science Research in Eastern and Southern Africa (OSSREA)

11:30 – 12:00	Key Note Statement	OSSREA
12:00 – 12:15	Interface between parliamentary research services and policy institutions	World Bank
12:15 – 12:30		KIPPRA
12:30 – 12:45		ACADEMIA (Strathmore University)
12:45 – 13:15	Plenary	
13:15 – 14:15	<b>Lunch break</b>	

**SESSION SEVEN : PLENUM SESSIONS**

	<b>Plenum 3: Transforming research services uptake and evidence use for decision making in African Parliaments: status, challenges and opportunities</b>
	<b>Plenum 4: The role of Research partnerships in enhancing evidence use in African Parliaments</b>

*(Tea will be served from 16.00hrs. Participants may break briefly and resume ongoing sessions)*

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**END OF DAY THREE**

**Day Four:  
Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2019**

8:30 - 9.00	<b>Re-Cap of Plenum Sessions</b>	<b>Rapporteurs</b>
<p><b>SESSION EIGHT: EMERGING PRACTICES AND INNOVATION IN LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH</b></p> <p><b>Convener:</b> Hon. Samuel Chepkonga Member, Parliamentary Service Commission, Kenya</p> <p><b>Session Moderator:</b> Westminster Foundation for Democracy(WFD)</p> <p><b>Key Note Speaker:</b> Northern Ireland Assembly</p>		
9:00 - 9.30	Leveraging on ICT: The Use of GIS to facilitate research work and decision making in Parliament'	Northern Ireland Assembly
9:30 – 10:15	Panel discussion	Ministry of Information and Communication Technology (ICT)
		Kenyatta University
		Environmental Systems Research Institute (Esri) Eastern Africa
10:15 – 10:45	Plenary	
10:45 – 11:00	<b>Health Break</b>	
<p><b>SESSION NINE: THE AFRICAN PARLIAMENTARY RESEARCHERS ASSOCIATION</b></p> <p><b>Convener:</b> Dr. Johnson Okello-Ag. Director, Legal Services, Senate Kenya</p>		
11:00 – 11:30	Formulation and Role of the of African Parliamentary Researchers Association (APRA)	<b>Mr. Hassan Odhwa</b> Principal Research Officer, Parliamentary Research Services, Parliament of Kenya

11:30 – 12:00	Constitution and Articles of Association for the Proposed APRA	<b>Ms. Claire Kidombo</b> , Research Officer, Parliamentary Research Services, Parliament of Kenya
12:00 – 13:00	<b>Plenary</b>	
13:00 – 14:00	<b>Lunch break</b>	
<b>SESSION TEN: CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS AND WAY FORWARD</b>  <b>Convener:</b> Mr. Paul Ngetich Director, Information & Research Services Parliament of Kenya		
14:00 – 14:30	Resolutions and Way Forward	<b>Mr. Clement Nyandiere</b> , Director General, Parliamentary Joint Services, Parliament of Kenya
<b>SESSION ELEVEN: OFFICIAL CLOSING</b>  <b>Convener:</b> Mr. J. M. Nyengenyne, CBS, Clerk of the Senate/Secretary, Parliamentary Service Commission, Kenya		
14:30 – 15:00	<b>Official Closing</b>	<b>Hon. Kenneth Lusaka, EGH, M.P</b> , Speaker of the Senate, Kenya
15.00 -15.10	<b>Vote of Thanks</b>	<b>Japhet Muthomi</b> - Chief Public Affairs and Communications Officer  Parliament of Kenya
<b>END OF DAY FOUR</b>		
<b>Day Five</b> <b>Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2019</b>		
<b>DEPARTURES</b>		
<b>END OF PROGRAMME</b>		

