



CPA CALENDAR – 2023 FORWARD PLANNER

This calendar of Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, Commonwealth and International events is provided to CPA Branches within the CPA’s membership of 180 Commonwealth Parliaments and Legislatures to assist with forward planning for the year ahead. This information is correct at the time of publishing in January 2023; however, all CPA Branches should check future events nearer to the date.

CPA Headquarters Events
 Commonwealth Events
 International Events
 International Days
 CPA Regional events

DATE	TYPE OF EVENT	EVENT NAME	LOCATION	WHO CAN ATTEND?	FURTHER DETAILS
JANUARY					
3 to 6 January 2023	Commonwealth event	26th Conference of the Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth (CSPOC)	Parliament of Australia, Canberra, Australia	By Invitation	Contact the Secretariat to the CSPOC at the Parliament of Canada - Email: cs poc@parl.gc.ca http://www.cspoc.org/
23 to 25 January 2023	CPA HQ event	Independent Parliament Programme (Regional Initiative Fund)	Parliament of Seychelles, Mahe, Seychelles	By Invitation	Contact the CPA Headquarters Secretariat via hq.sec@cpahq.org
24 January 2023	International Day	International Education Day	Globally	Open to all	UN International Day celebrating education rights https://www.un.org/en/observances/education-day
31 January to 2 February 2023	CPA HQ event	CPA Post-Election Seminar for the Parliament of Kenya	Mombasa, Kenya	By Invitation	Contact the CPA Headquarters Secretariat via hq.sec@cpahq.org



FEBRUARY					
13 February 2023	CPA HQ event	<i>The Parliamentarian</i> 2023 Issue One – copy deadline for article submissions	CPA HQ	Open to all	Contact the Editor via editor@cpahq.org
21 February 2023	International Day	International Mother Language Day	Globally	Open to all	UN International Day recognising that languages and multilingualism can advance inclusion https://www.un.org/en/observances/mother-language-day
MARCH					
5 to 9 March 2023	Commonwealth event	23rd Commonwealth Law Conference 2023	Goa, India	By Invitation	Please contact: secretariat@commonwealthlawconference.com or visit https://www.clc-goa2023.com/
8 March 2023	International Day	International Women’s Day	Globally	Open to all	UN International Day recognising gender equality as global goal https://www.un.org/en/observances/womens-day
11 to 15 March 2023	International Event	146th Inter-Parliamentary Union Assembly	Manama, Bahrain	By Invitation	Find out more information https://www.ipu.org/event/146th-assembly-and-related-meetings



13 March 2023	Commonwealth event	Commonwealth Day 2023	Across the Commonwealth	Open to all	Commonwealth Day is celebrated annually on the second Monday of March.
14 to 16 March 2023 (TBC)	CPA HQ event	CPA Virtual Post-Election Seminar for the Parliament of Dominica	Virtual/Dominica	By Invitation	Contact the CPA Headquarters Secretariat via hq.sec@cpahq.org
Late March 2023 (TBC)	CPA HQ event	CPA Post-Election Seminar for the Parliament of Tonga and other Pacific Parliaments	Tonga	By Invitation	Contact the CPA Headquarters Secretariat via hq.sec@cpahq.org
APRIL					
17 to 20 April 2023	CPA HQ event	Mid-Year CPA Executive Committee meeting	Gibraltar	By Invitation	Contact the CPA Headquarters Secretariat via hq.sec@cpahq.org
26 to 28 April 2023	CPA Regional event	52nd CPA British Islands and Mediterranean Regional Conference	London, UK	By Invitation	Contact the CPA BIM Region via cpauk@parliament.uk
TBC April 2023	CPA Regional event	9th CPA India Regional Conference	Venue TBC	By Invitation	Contact the CPA India Region via cpaindia@sansad.nic.in
MAY					
15 May 2023	CPA HQ event	<i>The Parliamentarian</i> 2023 Issue Two – copy deadline for article submissions	CPA HQ	Open to all	Contact the Editor via editor@cpahq.org



17 May 2023	International Day	International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia	Globally	Open to all	International Day recognising equality for LGBT+ communities https://may17.org/
JUNE					
11 to 17 June 2023	CPA HQ event	CPA Parliamentary Academy: Parliamentary Development Residency Course	Edmonton, Alberta, Canada	By Invitation	Contact the CPA Headquarters Secretariat via hq.sec@cpahq.org
16 to 18 June 2023	International Event	National Legislators' Conference (NLC)	Mumbai, India	Contact the organisers	For more information: https://www.nationallegislatorsconference.org/
30 June 2023	International Day	International Day of Parliamentarism – also known as World Parliament Day (IPU initiative)	Globally	Open to all	UN International Day recognising the role of Parliaments and Parliamentarians across the world https://www.un.org/en/observances/parliamentarism-day
TBC June 2023	CPA Regional event	53rd CPA Africa Regional Conference	Venue TBC	By Invitation	Contact the CPA Africa Region via cpa.secretariat@bunge.go.tz
JULY					
TBC July 2023	CPA Regional event	45th CPA Caribbean, Americas and the Atlantic Regional Conference	Venue TBC	By Invitation	Contact the CPA CAA Region via clerk@barbadosparliament.com



TBC July 2023	CPA Regional event	59th CPA Canada Regional Conference	Venue TBC	By Invitation	Contact the CPA Canada Region via CCOM@parl.gc.ca
TBC July 2023	CPA Regional event	6th CPA Asia Regional Conference	Venue TBC	By Invitation	Contact the CPA Asia Region via cpa@parliament.lk
AUGUST					
1 August 2023	CPA HQ event	2023 Parliamentarian of the Year Awards – nomination deadline closes	CPA HQ	Open to all	Contact the CPA Headquarters Secretariat via hq.sec@cpahq.org
7 August 2023	CPA HQ event	<i>The Parliamentarian</i> 2023 Issue Three – copy deadline for article submissions	CPA HQ	Open to all	Contact the Editor via editor@cpahq.org
12 August 2023	International Day	International Youth Day	Globally	Open to all	UN International Day recognising role of young people/youth issues https://www.un.org/en/observances/youth-day
14 to 16 August 2023	International Event	National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) Legislative Summit 2023	Indianapolis, USA	Contact the organisers	For more information: https://www.ncsl.org/meetings-training/ncsl-legislative-summit-2023.aspx

SEPTEMBER					
15 September 2023	International Day	International Day of Democracy	Globally	Open to all	UN International Day recognising the state of democracy in the world https://www.un.org/en/observances/democracy-day
30 September to 6 October 2023	CPA HQ event	66th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference , including 39 th CPA Small Branches Conference; Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians (CWP) and Commonwealth Parliamentarians with Disabilities (CPwD) meetings; 66 th CPA General Assembly; CPA Executive Committee meetings; and the 57 th Society of Clerks-at-the-Table (SoCATT) meetings.	Accra, Ghana	By Invitation	Contact the CPA Headquarters Secretariat via hq.sec@cpahq.org
OCTOBER					
23 October 2023	CPA HQ event	<i>The Parliamentarian 2023 Issue Four</i> – copy deadline for article submissions	CPA HQ	Open to all	Contact the Editor via editor@cpahq.org
24 October 2023	International Day	United Nations Day	Globally	Open to all	UN International Day recognising the anniversary of the UN and celebrating its work https://www.un.org/en/observances/un-day

NOVEMBER					
25 November 2023	International Day	International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women	Globally	Open to all	UN International Day campaigning for elimination of violence against women and girls – also marks the start of 16 days of activism https://www.un.org/en/observances/ending-violence-against-women-day
30 November to 12 December 2023	International Event	COP28 - 28th session of the Conference of Parties (COP 28) to the UNFCCC (United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change)	Dubai, United Arab Emirates	Contact the organisers	For more information: https://unfccc.int/
TBC November 2023	CPA Regional event	CPA Australia and Pacific Regional Conference	Brisbane, Queensland (TBC)	By Invitation	Contact the CPA Australia Region via cpa@aph.gov.au and CPA Pacific Region via CPA@parliament.govt.nz
DECEMBER					
3 December 2023	International Day	International Day of Persons with Disabilities	Globally	Open to all	UN International Day recognising the rights of persons with disabilities https://www.un.org/en/observances/day-of-persons-with-disabilities



10 December 2023	International Day	UN Human Rights Day	Globally	Open to all	UN International Day recognising 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights was adopted and highlighting human rights globally https://www.un.org/en/observances/human-rights-day
2024					
JANUARY					
3 to 6 January 2024	Commonwealth event	27th Conference of the Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth (CSPOC)	Parliament of Uganda, Kampala, Uganda	By Invitation	Contact the Secretariat to the CSPOC at the Parliament of Canada - Email: cspoc@parl.gc.ca http://www.cspoc.org/