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**11th Consultative Meeting of the Association of Senates,
Shura and Equivalent Councils in Africa and the Arab World
Malabo, Equatorial Guinea, September 26-27, 2024**

Date	Time	Venue
27th of September, 2024	02:00 –12:15	TBD

This gathering of women parliamentarians from Africa and the Arab world provides an opportunity to continue empowering female legislators and increase their participation in public life, particularly in the legislative branch. The meeting aims to emphasize the importance of coordination and cooperation in reducing gender disparities, aligning with the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals. It also seeks to establish the Association's position on creating a forum for consultation and exchange of information and experiences on women's issues.

The meeting will build upon the network's achievements, address challenges faced by modern parliamentarians, and strengthen their role in political, economic, social, and cultural cooperation between the Arab and African regions from a strategic and participatory perspective.

Time	Item
	<p>Item one: Opening Remarks</p> <p>1. Dr. Jihad Al-Fadel, Chairwoman of the Network's Executive Office, will review the network's accomplishments since the first meeting of the Executive Office, and highlight key achievements, overcome challenges, and areas requiring further focus.</p>
	<p>Item two: Discussion Topics</p> <p>2.1 The Role of Women Parliamentarians in Times of War and Conflict</p> <p>This session will focus on the vital role played by women parliamentarians during wars and conflicts. It will address the specific challenges women face in these circumstances and how they can contribute to peacebuilding and conflict resolution</p>

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efforts. Practical examples and case studies from African and Arab contexts will be presented.

2.2 Legislative Approaches for Parliamentarians in Addressing Artificial Intelligence Challenges

This segment will explore the changing landscape of artificial intelligence and its legislative implications. Women parliamentarians will be at the forefront of responding to AI-related challenges, particularly in ensuring that new laws address gender-specific issues and support inclusive development. Parliamentary experiences in dealing with these challenges will be shared, providing insights into effective legislative strategies. (Open discussion)