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Virtual work of the Parliament: remote voting system

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Session I

The UK's virtual Parliament



Dr Hannah WHITE

Dr White has strategic oversight of the Institute for Government's programme of work on government, parliament and the civil service, focusing on external relationships and impact.

She has extensive knowledge of Westminster and Whitehall based on over a decade of experience in Parliament and the civil service. Before running the Committee on Standards in Public Life in the Cabinet Office, she was a clerk in the House of Commons managing select and legislative committees and advising on parliamentary procedure.

Dr White is a commentator for radio and television and has appeared on Radio 4's Westminster Hour, World at One, the Today programme, Newsnight, BBC News and Sky News. She is a regular contributor to the Institute's comment pages and writes for a range of media including The Guardian, The Times, The Telegraph and Civil Service World.

Dr White joined the Institute for Government in May 2014 and leads the Institute's work on Parliament.

Session II

Technology transfer for the remote parliamentary work in Brazil



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Ms Almeida is a coordinator of Innovation and Digital Strategy of Brazilian House of Representatives, where she has been involved in many actions related to digital parliament, open parliament, virtual plenary, agile methodologies and artificial intelligence. She also coordinates the innovation hub on open data of the Inter-parliamentary Union.

She has a master's degree in electric engineering from the Federal University of Rio Grande do Norte and is studying for a PhD in Business Administration in University of Brasilia, focusing on artificial intelligence governance and regulation.

She was a professor at the University of Brasilia in the Computer Science Department and had also worked as a network analyst at Caixa Econômica Federal.

Session III

Remote activities of the Parliamentary Assembly: new mechanism and methods



Ms Yeva Sushko

Ms Sushko is a lawyer with years of experience in the field of human rights. Currently, she is serving as a Co-secretary of the PACE Committee on Rules of Procedure, Immunities, and Institutional Affairs.

Ms Sushko graduated with bachelor's and master's degrees with honours in Law from the Ivan Franko National University of Lviv and later with a master's degree in European Human Rights Law from the University of Strasbourg.

She started working at the Council of Europe in 2009. She worked as a lawyer at the European Court of Human Rights.

Session IV

Remote voting system in the Parliament of Greece



Mr Georgios KATROUGKALOS

Mr Katrougkalos is a member of the Hellenic Parliament and a member of the PACE Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy.

He served as Minister of Foreign Affairs of Greece in 2019. Prior to that, Mr Katrougkalos was the Alternate Minister of Foreign Affairs, as well as Minister of Labour, Social Insurance, and Social Solidarity in the Tsipras government.

His professional career includes working for the Ministry of Education, lecturing and studying in the University of Athens and the Roskilde University, and being a member of the Board of the Centre for European Constitutional Law. He served as an advisor to the Greek Permanent Mission to the United Nations and participated in the drafting of the European Constitution.

Mr Katrougkalos also was a Member of the European Parliament from 2014 to 2015. Currently he is a professor of public law at the Democritus University of Thrace.