



First Joint CPA Asia and South-East Asia Regional Conference – 2025

February 06 – February 10, 2025 <u>Lahore – Pakistan</u>

"Parliamentary Strategies for Inclusive Growth and Sustainable Futures in South Asia and South-East Asia"

Tentative Programme

Day 1: Thursday, February 6, 2025		
Arrival of Delegates		
Day 2: Friday, February 7, 2025		
0900-1030 hrs.	Meeting of the Branch Secretaries Venue: Committee Room, Provincial Assembly of the Punjab	
1030-1100 hrs.	Meeting of the Executive Committee Venue: Committee Room, Provincial Assembly of the Punjab	
1115-1315 hrs. (2 hours)	Opening Ceremony: Topic: "Collaborative Governance for Shared Regional Challenges" Venue: New Assembly Hall, Provincial Assembly of the Punjab	
1315 hrs.	Group Photograph Venue: TBC	
1330 hrs.	Lunch Venue: TBC	
1500-1700 hrs. (2 hours)	Plenary Session: Topic: "Collaborative Legislation for Inclusive and Equitable Development" • Addressing challenges in representation, fostering inclusivity, and strengthening legislative mechanisms to empower underrepresented groups. • Strengthen the role of women, youth, and minorities in decision-making processes. • Discuss challenges like underrepresentation and propose parliamentary solutions for inclusivity. Venue: New Assembly Hall, Provincial Assembly of the Punjab	
1930 hrs.	Official Dinner	

Day 3: Saturday, February 8, 2025		
	Parallel Breakout Sessions:	
	Session A: "Strengthening Local Governance: Legislative Pathways for Effective Decentralization" • Explore the role of provincial governments in empowering local bodies to improve service delivery and governance. • Legislative frameworks for enhancing local government autonomy. • Strategies for ensuring accountability and resource allocation to local institutions. • Success stories in decentralized governance models.	
1000-1300 hrs (3 hours)	 Session B: "Climate Change and Sustainable Cities: Legislative Action for Clean Air and Resilient Urban Living" Explore legislative strategies to combat climate change and address the growing challenges of air pollution and urban sustainability, particularly in regions affected by smog. Enacting policies to reduce urban air pollution through stricter industrial and vehicular emissions standards. Legislative frameworks for sustainable urban planning, including green infrastructure and public transportation systems. Addressing the health and economic impacts of smog through integrated climate resilience policies. Venues: Old & New Hall, Provincial Assembly of the Punjab 	
1300 hrs	Lunch Venue: TBC	
	Parallel Breakout Sessions:	
1430-1700 hrs (2.5 hours)	 Session A: "Parliamentary Innovations: Legislating for AI, Digital Collaboration, and Social Media Governance" How parliaments can use AI and digital collaboration to improve governance while addressing challenges like fake news and misinformation on social media. Creating laws to regulate social media platforms and tackle misinformation, hate speech, and fake news. Using AI tools to improve fact-checking, transparency, and accountability in social media content. Developing frameworks for ethical and responsible use of AI in public service delivery. Promoting regional cooperation in Asia and South-East Asia to set standards for digital governance and social media regulation. 	

	Session B: "Health and Education: Legislative Pathways for Inclusive Social Development" • Explore how legislatures can address disparities in health and education to foster inclusive and equitable development. • Legislating for improved access to quality healthcare in underserved areas. • Policies to enhance public education systems and reduce drop-out rates. • Addressing social determinants of health through integrated legislative frameworks. • Highlighting successful provincial initiatives in health and education reform. Venues: Old & New Hall, Provincial Assembly of the Punjab	
1930 hrs	Official Dinner	
Day 4: Sunday, February 9, 2025		
0900-1130 hrs (2.5 hours)	Closing Ceremony: Topic: "Regional Collaboration for Sustainable Development: The Path Forward" • Adoption of the "Lahore Charter" outlining commitments for regional collaboration on shared goals like strengthening local governance, climate resilience, digital transformation, education and health related reforms. Venue: New Assembly Hall, Provincial Assembly of the Punjab	
1130 hrs.	Group Photograph Venue: TBC	
Tour Day		
1930 hrs	Official Dinner	
Day 5: Monday, February 10, 2025		
***** Departure of Delegates *****		