



CONFERENCE

Forty-fourth Session

Rome, 28 June – 4 July 2025

Third Report of the General Committee

A. Arrangements

1. The Committee recommended the Conference endorse the nomination of Mr Martín Pagani, Alternate Permanent Representative of Uruguay, for the position of Vice-Chairperson of Commission II.

B. Restoration of Voting Rights

2. At its first and second meetings held on 28 June and 30 June 2025, the General Committee recommended that voting rights be restored to twenty-two Member Nations that requested special consideration under Article III.4 of the Constitution.

3. A Member Nation, Sierra Leone, has now requested special consideration under Article III, paragraph 4 of the Constitution. The General Committee recommends that voting rights of Sierra Leone be restored.

C. Election of Council Members

4. The Conference extended the deadline for submission of the nominations for election to the Council to 19.00 (UTC +2) on Wednesday, 2 July 2025, and agreed that the election be held on Thursday, 3 July 2025.

5. The General Committee in its Second Report, as contained in document C 2025/LIM/19, had examined the nominations received by the deadline and found the nominations to be in order, noting the following:

- a. for the Africa Region the following nominations were missing:
 - i. one nomination for the period from the end of the 44th Session of the Conference until 30 June 2028; and
 - ii. two nominations for the period from 1 July 2026 until the end of the 46th Session of the Conference (2029);
- b. for the Latin America and the Caribbean Region, one nomination was missing for the period from the end of the 44th Session of the Conference until 30 June 2028.

6. The General Committee noted that the missing nominations were received by the extended deadline and found them to be in order, noting the following:

REGION	PERIOD	CANDIDATES
AFRICA	(a) end of the 44th Session of the Conference – 30 June 2028 (5 SEATS)	1. Ghana ¹ 2. Kenya 3. Niger/ Burkina Faso 4. Senegal 5. South Africa
	(b) 1 July 2026 – end of the 46th Session of the Conference (2029) (4 SEATS)	1. Angola 2. Cameroon 3. Morocco 4. Uganda
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN	(b) end of the 44th Session of the Conference (2025) – 30 June 2028 (5 SEATS)	1. Brazil 2. Colombia 3. Honduras/Argentina 4. Jamaica 5. Mexico

7. For the Africa region, the General Committee noted that a subsequent submission had been received from Burkina Faso, superseding the one previously reviewed at its Second Meeting. In this submission, Burkina Faso and Niger applied jointly for one seat, with Niger's term of office running from the end of the 44th Session of the Conference until 31 December 2026, and Burkina Faso's term of office from 1 January 2027 until 30 June 2028.

8. For the regions of Africa and Latin America and the Caribbean, the number of candidates is the same as the number of seats to be filled, for all applicable terms of office. The General Committee recommends that, in accordance with Rule XII.10(a) of the General Rules of the Organization, the Conference elect by clear general consent the candidates nominated for the terms of office in question for these two regions.

¹ Having paid its arrears, Ghana restored its eligibility for the Council.