

**THE UNIVERSITY OF HULL
CENTRE FOR LEGISLATIVE STUDIES**

***THE NINTH WORKSHOP
OF PARLIAMENTARY SCHOLARS AND PARLIAMENTARIANS***

**24-25 JULY 2010
WROXTON COLLEGE, OXFORDSHIRE, UK**

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Ninth Workshop of Parliamentary Scholars and Parliamentarians is to be held on Saturday 24 July and Sunday 25 July 2010. The venue is the same as for earlier Workshops: Wroxton College in Oxfordshire, UK, an ideal venue for international gatherings.

The Workshop is sponsored by the Centre for Legislative Studies at the University of Hull. It is anticipated that, as with previous Workshops, it will be co-sponsored by the Inter-Parliamentary Union.

The Workshop serves to bring together scholars and parliamentarians – from legislatures around the globe – to discuss research findings likely to be of practical interest to members of parliaments. Topics covered in previous Workshops have included the challenges to parliamentary democracy in developing nations, parliaments and foreign policy, the role of committees, career paths, voting dissent, the impact of the Internet on legislatures, freedom of information, parliamentary privilege, legislatures and the courts, legislative staff, presiding officers, ministerial accountability, the changing nature of legislatures, and the role of independents.

Paper proposals are invited for the Ninth Workshop. Proposals are invited that cover any aspect of legislatures – their development, behaviour, functions and consequences – and present findings likely to have relevance for parliamentarians. *Papers that address issues of regulation, accountability and transparency are especially welcome.* Papers may be country specific, though papers that present comparative research are encouraged. As with the most recent Workshops, it is anticipated that there will be a concluding panel comprising members of various parliaments.

Papers should be prepared and submitted electronically at least three weeks prior to the Workshop. Papers are normally up to 5,000 words in length and may subsequently be considered for publication in *The Journal of Legislative Studies*.

Paper proposals (no more than 300 words), plus requests for further information, should be sent to:

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To arrive no later than Monday 18 January 2010. Up to that date, paper proposals will be considered as soon as received. Decisions will normally be made within a month of receipt.