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THE THIRTEENTH WORKSHOP
OF PARLIAMENTARY SCHOLARS AND PARLIAMENTARIANS

29-30 JULY 2017
WROXTON COLLEGE, OXFORDSHIRE, UK

CALL FOR PAPERS

We are delighted to announce the Thirteenth Workshop of Parliamentary Scholars and Parliamentarians, which is to be held on Saturday 29 July and Sunday 30 July 2017. The venue is the same as for earlier Workshops: Wroxton College in Oxfordshire, UK, an ideal venue for international gatherings.

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 legislative capacity building, the challenges to parliamentary democracy in developing nations, parliamentary accountability, law-making in China, measuring parliamentary performance, the challenge of bicameralism, engaging with the people and the press, the role of committees, parliaments and political parties, voting dissent, the impact of the Internet, freedom of information, parliamentary privilege, legislatures and the courts, ministerial accountability, and the role of independents.

Paper proposals are invited for the 2017 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 development, accountability and transparency are especially welcome. Papers may be country specific, though papers that present comparative research are encouraged. It is anticipated that there will be a concluding plenary round-table session, similar to that held at
the Twelfth Workshop which addressed the question of what constitutes an effective legislature.

Papers should be prepared and submitted electronically at least three weeks prior to the Workshop. Papers are normally 5,000 to 7,000 words in length (though shorter papers are also welcome) and may 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 6 February 2017.** Up to that date, paper proposals will be considered as they are received.