History of Partnership

The House Democracy Partnership (HDP) approved a legislative strengthening partnership with the Assembly of the Representatives of the People (ARP) of Tunisia in 2016 following a congressional delegation visit led by U.S. Representatives Vern Buchanan and David Price. The partnership focuses on helping the parliament manage and respond to citizen expectations by better organizing and communicating its work; improving the efficiency of workflow; and empowering MPs to fulfill their mandates as representatives, legislators, and agents of oversight.

HDP Engagement with Assembly of the Representatives of the People of Tunisia

- **MP and Regional Seminars:** Tunisian MPs have participated in five MP seminars with a focus on citizen engagement, women’s empowerment, ethics, and parliamentary research. In 2017, Tunisian MPs participated in one regional seminar with a focus on transparency and legislative openness.

- **Staff Delegations and Technical Assistance Consultancies (TACs):** Since 2016, HDP has organized four TACs and staff delegations with a focus on ethics, citizen engagement, committee capacities, oversight, and collaboration with the executive and parliamentary research.

- **Staff Seminars:** Parliamentary staff have participated in two HDP staff seminars that focused on parliamentary research and library services, district office communications, and citizen engagement.

HDP Congressional Delegations (CODELS)

- HDP has organized five U.S. Congressional delegation visit to Tunisia.
  - September 2011
  - July 2012
  - July 2015
  - June 2016
  - August 2018