British Embassy works with Congress to strengthen its technical capabilities

The activity aimed to share the experience of the British Parliament on investigative research, the role of congressional representatives, transparency and accountability, amongst other topics.

Audience was composed mostly of newly elected deputies and their advisors, re-elected congressmen and technical teams who run Congress' internal management. The event was organized by WFD, the UK's public body in charge of promoting democracy around the world.

Speakers included Edward Potton, Head of Science and Environment Research at the House of Commons Library; Patricio Vallespin, former Chilean Congressman and international consultant; Tania Sanchez, specialist in transparency, access to information and citizen engagement; and George Evans, Senior Programme Manager at WFD.

By running this activity, the British Embassy wants to strengthen its collaboration with Congress on matters that will help to build up on the institution's technical capabilities and liaise closely with the needs of a new Legislature due to be inaugurated in January 2020.