



Implementing the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women The Role of Parliaments and their Members

Geneva, 19 October 2006

Annotated provisional programme

08:45-09:30	Registration
09:30-09:45	Welcoming remarks
09:45-11:00	Introducing the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) and its Optional Protocol <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Why a Convention on discrimination against women? ➤ Why an Optional Protocol to the Convention? <p>Presentations by: A member of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women Ms. Christine Brautigam, Chief, Women's Rights Section, Division for the Advancement of Women</p> <p>The presentations will be followed by a debate</p>
11:00-11:15	Coffee break
11:15-12:30	Implementing the Convention: the Role of Parliament <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Developing an adequate legislative and oversight framework ➤ Working with civil society and the media ➤ Keeping track of progress ➤ Parliamentary involvement in the CEDAW reporting mechanism <p>Presentations by: A member of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women; A member of Parliament</p> <p>The presentations will be followed by a debate</p>
12:30-14:30	Lunch break
14:30-15:45	Violence against women and the Convention <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ How is VAW addressed by the CEDAW? ➤ What is required of States Party? ➤ What can Parliaments do? <p>Presentation by: A member of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women</p> <p>The presentation will be followed by a debate</p>
15:45 - 17:00	Violence against Women Legislation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ What type of legislation? ➤ How to ensure proper implementation? <p>Presentation by: Two members of Parliament Ms. Christine Brautigam, Chief, Women's Rights Section, Division for the Advancement of Women</p> <p>The presentations will be followed by a debate</p>
17:00 - 17:30	Conclusions and recommendations