

OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

Ninth Information Seminar on Parliaments and CEDAW Equality at work

Bern 20 October 2011

DRAFT AGENDA

9.30 – 9.45: Introductory remarks

9.45 – 11.00: CEDAW and women at work

- CEDAW and discrimination against women in Employment
- What are the rights covered by CEDAW? What are State party obligations?
- What are main challenges so far related to ending discrimination against women at work?
- What can parliaments do?

11.00 - 11-15 Coffee break

11.15 – 1 pm: Equal Pay

- Introducing ILO Convention 100 Equal remuneration and ILO Convention 111 on Discrimination (Employment and Occupation)
- Status of implementation: achievements and challenges
- What can parliaments do?

1 -2.30pm: Lunch break

2.30 – 5pm: Combating exploitation, abuse and violence in the workplace

- Addressing sexual harassment and violence at the workplace: law and practice
- Introducing ILO Convention 189 on Domestic Workers
- Parliamentary initiatives

5pm - 5.30: Conclusions and recommendations