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Workshop organized by the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA) and the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) in partnership with the United Nations Democracy Fund (UNDEF) and the International Foundation for Election Systems (IFES)

AGENDA

IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF THE ELECTORAL AND PARLIAMENTARY PROCESS

THURSDAY, 28 JUNE 2007

09:00 – 09:20 A.M. OPENING REMARKS

Dr Massimo Tommasoli

Director of Operations, International IDEA

Martin Chungong

Director, Division for the Promotion of Democracy, IPU

Magdy Martinez-Soliman

Executive Head a.i., UN Democracy Fund

09:20 – 10:30 P.M. SESSION I: Building Trust in Electoral Management Bodies and

Electoral Dispute Resolution Mechanisms

Dr Brigalia Hlophe Bam

Chairperson, Independent Electoral Commission, South Africa

Judge J. Jesús Orozco

Former Member of the Electoral Tribunal of the Federal Judiciary Power,

Mexico

Discussion Time

10:30 -- 11:00 A.M. BREAK FOR COFFEE AND TEA

11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. SESSION II: Trust and participation

Professor Pippa Norris

Director, Democratic Governance Group, Bureau for Development

Policy, UNDP

Andrew Ellis

Head, Electoral Processes, International IDEA

Discussion Time

12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Break for Lunch

2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. SESSION III: The Challenge of Effective Electoral Assistance

Dr Massimo Tommasoli

Director of Operations, International IDEA

Richard Soudriette (to be confirmed)

President, IFES

Senior Programme Officer, International IDEA (to be confirmed)

Discussion Time

3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Break for Coffee and Tea

4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. SESSION IV: The Quality of Parliamentary Representation

Professor David Beetham

Professor Emeritus, University of Leeds, Fellow of the Human Rights Centre, University of Essex and Associate Director, Democratic Audit

UK

Ms Winnie Byanyima, Director, UNDP, New York

Discussion Time

5:30 p.m. CLOSE OF DAY I

FRIDAY, 29 JUNE 2007

9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. SESSION V: Innovative Methods of Transparency and

Accountability in Parliamentary Processes

Ms Ingeborg Schwartz

Programme Manager, Human Rights, IPU

Cyril Enoch Ndebele

Former Speaker of the National Assembly, Zimbabwe

Discussion Time

10:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Break for Coffee and Tea

10:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. SESSION VI: Bridging Parliaments and Civil Society

Kaspar Handhiek

Former Secretary of the National Assembly, South Africa

Professor Rehman Sobhan,

Chairman of the Board of Grameen Bank, Bangladesh

Discussion Time

12:15 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. CLOSING REMARKS AND INTEGRATION OF WORKSHOP

DISCUSSIONS

Vidar Helgesen (to be confirmed) Secretary-General, International IDEA

Martin Chungong

Director, Division for the Promotion of Democracy , IPU

Discussion Time

12:30 – 14:30 Lunch Break

AFTERNOON WRAP-UP PLENARY SESSION

Rapporteurs present key policy messages and reports

on workshop discussions to all participants in the Global Forum.

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