



# Parliament and the Budgetary Process, Including from a Gender Perspective

GENEVA, CICC, 19-21 SEPTEMBRE 2007

## DRAFT PROGRAMME

### Wednesday, 19 September 2007

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| 09.30-10.30 | Registration and complementary coffee   |
| 10.30-10.45 | Opening Ceremony  |
| 10.45-12.45 | <b>General introduction: The budget: Purpose, composition and terminology</b><br>Mr. Len Verwey, Senior budget analyst, Institute for Democracy in South Africa (IDASA)<br><i>The presentation will be followed by a debate</i>                       |
| 12.45-14.30 | Lunch break   |
| 14.30-16.00 | <b>General introduction to the budgetary process, reviewing the variety of national approaches and processes</b><br>Dr. Joachim Wehner, Lecturer in Public Policy, London School of Economics<br><i>The presentation will be followed by a debate</i> |
| 16.00-16.30 | Coffee break  |
| 16.30-18.00 | <b>The respective roles of Government and Parliament in the budgetary process</b><br>Mr. Jean Jacques Viseur, former Minister of Finance, former MP (Belgium)<br><i>The presentation will be followed by a debate</i>                                 |

**Cocktail in honour of the participants (at IPU Headquarters) following the end of the afternoon session**

### Thursday, 20 September 2007

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| 9.30-11.00  | <b>Accountability and transparency in the budgetary process: Parliamentary oversight of the budget</b><br>Mr. Jean Jacques Viseur, former Minister of Finance, former parliamentarian (Belgium)<br><i>The presentation will be followed by a debate</i> |
| 11.00-11.30 | Coffee break  |
| 11.30-13.00 | <b>The role of parliamentary committees in the budget process</b><br>Dr. Joachim Wehner, Lecturer in Public Policy, London School of Economics<br><i>Presentations will be followed by a debate</i>   |
| 13.00-14.30 | Lunch break   |
| 14.30-16.00 | <b>Accountability and transparency in the budgetary process: The National Audit</b><br>Dr. Arpad Kovacs, President, International Organisation of Supreme Audit Institutions (INTOSAI)<br><i>The presentation will be followed by a debate</i>          |

- 16.00-16.30 Coffee break
- 16.30-18.00 **A gender-sensitive budget: what does it mean?**  
Ms Elizabeth Villagómez, International consultant  
*The presentation will be followed by a debate*

**Friday, 21 September 2007**

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- 09.30-11.00 **Gender impact analysis of the budget**  
Ms Elizabeth Klatzer, Expert, Gender budgeting, Watch Group - Gender and Public Finance (Austria)  
*The presentation will be followed by a debate*
- 11.00-11.30 Coffee break
- 11.30-13.00 **Mechanisms and methods for developing a gender-sensitive budget**  
Ms Elizabeth Villagómez, International consultant  
*The presentation will be followed by a debate*
- 13.00-14.30 Lunch break
- 14.30-16.00 Evaluation of the seminar  
Final report of the seminar and closing