



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

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Draft Program

09:00- 09:30	Welcome
09:30- 10:30	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?✦ What does it add?✦ Why an Optional Protocol to the Convention? <p>Presentation followed by discussion</p>
10:30- 10:45	Coffee break
10:45- 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✦ Other parliamentary mechanisms <p>Presentation followed by discussion</p>
12:30- 14:30	Lunch
14:30- 15:45	Keeping track of progress: the reporting process and follow-up <ul style="list-style-type: none">✦ The reporting mechanism of the Convention✦ Follow up to the Committee's concluding comments <p>Presentation followed by discussion</p>
15.45 - 17.00	Parliamentary involvement in the CEDAW reporting mechanism <ul style="list-style-type: none">✦ Ensuring timely reporting✦ Input into the Government's report✦ Follow-up to the report: implementing the Committee's concluding comments <p>Presentation followed by discussion</p>
17:00- 17:30	Conclusions and recommendations
