

**Protecting and Promoting Women's Rights:
Using the Optional Protocol to the UN Women's Convention
Seminar Program – 17 November 2009**

	Time	Title	Facilitator
1.	9.30 – 9.40am	Welcome	Lucy McKernan
2.	9.40 – 10.05am	Protection and promotion of women's rights in Australia	Dr. Cassandra Goldie
3.	10.05 – 10.30am	Protection and promotion of women's rights under CEDAW and the Optional Protocol	Simone Cusack
4.	10.30 – 10.45am	Break	
5.	10.45 – 11.35am	Communication procedure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Admissibility criteria • Key jurisprudence • How to submit a communication • Challenges 	Simone Cusack
6.	11.35am – 12.05pm	Inquiry procedure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Threshold requirements • Key jurisprudence • How to submit information under the inquiry procedure • Challenges 	Lucy McKernan
7.	12.05 – 12.20pm	How CEDAW jurisprudence can be used in domestic litigation and as an advocacy and lobbying tool	Dr. Cassandra Goldie Lucy McKernan Simone Cusack
8.	12.20 – 12.30pm	Questions and conclusion	Simone Cusack