Implementing SDG5: strengthening normative legal and policy frameworks on Violence Against Women

Monday, 14 March 2016, 6:30 – 7:45 pm
Conference Room 1, Conference Building, UNHQ


Welcome remarks:

- Permanent Mission of Japan (tbc)
- OHCHR (tbc)

Panel Members:

- Yoko Hayashi, Chair of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women
- Dubravka Šimonović, UN Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women, its causes and consequences
- Sylvie Durrer, Head of the Gender Equality Office, Switzerland
- Representative from the Permanent Mission of Tunisia (tbc)

Moderator:

Jodie Roure, Associate Professor, Director and Project Investigator at John Jay College of Criminal Justice

Theme: This side event focuses on the priority theme for the CSW 60th session, ‘Women's empowerment and its link to sustainable development’, as well as the review theme for the session ‘The elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls’. It provides an opportunity for Member States, experts and civil society organizations to discuss achievements, good practices and remaining gaps at the national and global levels in eliminating and preventing all forms of violence and discrimination against women and girls. UN reports indicate that 35 per cent of women worldwide have experienced either physical and/or sexual intimate partner violence or non-partner sexual violence. Ending gender-based violence and discrimination are to remain key concerns for Member States in the implementation phase of the targets under Sustainable Development Goal 5 (to achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls).

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