

Mandate of the Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences

High Level Panel on "Institutional Cooperation between Independent Mechanisms on violence against women and women's rights"

Convened by the UN Special Rapporteur on violence against women with the participation of representatives of independent international and regional mechanisms

Opening remarks by UN Deputy Secretary General and UN Women Executive Director

Tuesday 13 March 2018, 11:30-12:45 Ex-Press Bar, CSW, New York

"Through institutionalized cooperation between international and regional independent mechanisms dealing with women's rights, the implementation of the international legal and policy framework on violence and discrimination against women will be most effective."

UN Special Rapporteur on violence against women, Ms Dubravka Šimonovic

Objectives

- Raise visibility of the work done by global and regional independent mechanisms on violence against women and women's rights
- Discuss support for efforts to strengthen cooperation amongst themselves;
- Renew high level political commitment to support joint actions undertaken by international and regional mechanisms.

Moderator

Ms Dubravka Šimonovic

UN Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women, its causes and consequences

Opening remarks

Ms. Amina J. Mohammed

United Nations Deputy Secretary General

Ms Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka,

UN Women Executive Director

Panelists

Ms Dalia Leinarte

Chair of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against women (CEDAW)

Ms Sotaya Maiga,

Chair of the African Commission on Human and Peoples Rights

Ms Margarette May Macaulay

Rapporteur on the Rights of Women, Inter-American Commission on Human Rights

Ms Sylvia Mesa Peluffo

President of the Committee of Experts of the Follow-up Mechanism to the Belém do Pará Convention (MESECVI)

Ms Feride Acar

President of the Council of Europe Group of Experts on Action against Violence against

Women and Domestic Violence (GREVIO)

Ms Liz Broderick

Member, UN Working Group on Discrimination against Women in Law and Practice

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