

11:30 – 13:15

Session Two – How the judiciary may respond when culture, customary and traditional practices or religion are invoked as justification for violations of the fundamental rights and freedoms of women

Chair: Judge Maria Natercia, Judge of the Court of Appeal, Timor-Leste

- **Key considerations for the judiciary:**
Justice Marvic Leonen, Supreme Court of the Philippines (20 mins)
- **CSO Perspective:**
Ms. Ratna Osman, Director, Sisters in Islam (SIS), Malaysia (15 mins)
Ms. Vichuta Ly, Director, Legal Support for Children and Women, Cambodia (15 mins)

Discussion (40mins)

13:15 – 14:15

Lunch

14:15 – 15:30

Session Three – Domestic legislation and the CEDAW

Chair: Ms. Roberta Clarke, Regional Director, UN WOMEN Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific

- **Overview of status of implementation of CEDAW principles in Southeast Asia** – Ms. Shanthi Dairiam, Director, IRAW Asia Pacific (15 minutes)
- **The role of the judiciary in identifying gaps between domestic legislation and the CEDAW** – Ms. Imrana Jalal, Senior Social Development Specialist on Gender and Development (Asian Development Bank)/ ICJ Commissioner (15 minutes)

Discussion (45 mins)

15:30 – 15:45

Refreshments

15:45 – 17:20

Session Four – Judicial decisions addressing violations of women's human rights in the private sphere, applying CEDAW and other international human rights instruments

Chair: Ms. Imrana Jalal, Senior Social Development Specialist on Gender and Development (Asian Development Bank)/ ICJ Commissioner

- **Applying CEDAW in deciding cases of VAW/domestic violence** - Justice Vacharin Patjekvinyusakul, Presiding Judge of the Supreme Court, Thailand (20 minutes)
- **The legal and conceptual framework of 'battered woman syndrome' as a defense** – Judge Adoracion Cruz Avisado, Transformative Justice Institute, Philippines (20 mins)
- **Key considerations for the judiciary in cases of violations of women's human rights in the private sphere** – Ms. Sri Nurherwati, Commissioners, Komnas Perempuan, Indonesia (15 mins)

Discussion (40 minutes)

18:30 – 20:30

Reception dinner