

International Seminar: Gender Equality in Access to Justice in the Americas from an Intersectional Approach

14 November 2022, Santiago de Chile

Gran Santiago Room - Hotel Pullman, Roger de Flor 2770, Las Condes

Program

Opening

08:30-09:00

Registration of participants

09:00-09:20

Opening:

Welcome Remarks

- **Jenny Murphy**, Chair of the JSCA Board of Directors
- **Michael Gort**, Ambassador of Canada to Chile
- **Luz Vidal Huiriqueo**, Vice Minister of Minister of Women and Gender Equality, Chile

Panel I: Gender and Intersectionality

09:20-10:15

Moderates:

- **Caroline Bettinger-Lopez**

Senior Advisor on Gender and Equality, Office for Victims of Crime, U.S. Department of Justice.

Intersectionality as an analytical tool

Intersectionality as a conceptual and legal category for equality and non-discrimination that allows us to understand how different identities influence access to rights and opportunities.

- **Jenna Hennebry**

Associate Dean and Associate Professor at Wilfrid Laurier University in Ontario, Canada.

Why gender and access to justice?

It will identify the main obstacles women face when trying to access judicial resources, guarantees and protections. Discrimination against women is an obstacle to access to justice that is aggravated by some cause of vulnerability. Present measures and policies aimed at increasing women's access to justice and fostering a justice system that advances women's rights, opportunities, and participation, recognizing the need to combine formal equality with substantive equality.

- **Roxana Arroyo Vargas**

Research Professor at the Institute of Higher National Studies (IAEN), Postgraduate University of Ecuador and Vice President of the Justice and Gender Foundation.

Comments

Q&A

- **Caroline Bettinger-Lopez**

10:15–10:35

Break

Panel II: Right to equality and non-discrimination in access to justice

10:35-11:40

Moderates:

- **Terry Ince**

Coordinator and founder of the Committee on the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women of Trinidad and Tobago (CCoTT).

This Panel will highlight the obstacles to women's access to justice in their different situations from the conception of policies and programs of multilateral organizations.

Women deprived of their liberty

- **Ana Selene Pineda**

Coordinator of the Area of Penitentiary Systems and Alternatives to Prison. United Nations Latin American Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders (ILANUD).

Indigenous and Afro-descendant women

- **Michelle Mendes**

Regional Program Coordinator of the Spotlight Initiative to End Violence Against Women and Girls in Latin America. UN Women.

Where are we and where are we going in relation to gender inequalities in access to justice?

- **Hilary Anderson**

Principal Specialist of the Inter-American Commission of Women of the Organization of American States (CIM OAS).

Comments

Q&A

- **Terry Ince**

Panel III: Experiences in the region

11:40-12:45

Moderates:

- **Caroline Bettinger-Lopez**

The panel will discuss the greatest achievements and challenges in making an intersectional approach to achieve the elimination of gender discrimination in access to justice in various countries.

Model of action to guide, assist and protect migrant, cross-border and refugee women victims of violence in the Canton of Upala, Costa Rica.

- ***Sara Castillo Vargas***

Executive Director of the National Commission for the Improvement of the Administration of Justice (CONAMAJ) of the Judiciary of Costa Rica.

Protocol on Attention to Foreign Indigenous Women Deprived of Liberty

- ***Carlos Mora Jano***

National Public Defender of Chile

Protocol for Rural Women's Access to Justice and Land

- ***Johana Delgado Gaitan***

Vice Minister for the Promotion of Justice of the Ministry of Justice of Colombia.

Comments

Q&A

- ***Caroline Bettinger-Lopez***

Closure

12:45-13:00 Closing remarks:

- ***Nataly Ponce***, Executive Director of JSCA.