

ASEAN+3 Human Security Symposium on Women & Poverty Eradication

Expert Meetings July 5 & 6
Public Symposium July 7
Study Tour July 8 & 9 2007

July 4 Wed. Arrival for Tokyo (Overseas participants)

July 5 Thursday - Expert Meetings at Hotel New Otani (Garden Court Banquet Floor, "Aries" on the 5th Floor)

- 9:30-10:00 Opening Ceremony
10:00-12:30 "Feminization of Poverty, causes, effects and eradication"
Chairperson: Ms. Aurora de DIOS, Philippines (all day)
Reality of Women in Asia, Ms. Thelma KAY, UNESCAP
Country Reports - Burnei, Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Vietnam
(10 minutes each)
12:30-14:00 Lunch Break
14:00-18:00 Reality of Women in ASEAN Countries, Ms. Fifi ARIF & Ms. Mega IRENA
Country Reports - Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore,
Thailand, ATD Fourth World (10 minutes each)
18:30-20:00 Reception at Hotel New Otani hosted by Ministry of Foreign Affairs

July 6 Friday - Expert Meetings at Hotel New Otani ("Aries")

- 9:30-12:30 "Poverty Reduction Strategies with Gender Perspectives"
Chairperson: Ms. Mariko BANDO, Japan (all day)
Reports from Japan, Korea, China (10 minutes each)
Mr. Kazutoshi AIKAWA, Director of the Regional Policy Division,
Asian and Oceanian Affairs Bureau, MOFA
Ms. Yoko SUZUKI, Senior Advisor, Japan International Cooperation
Agency (JICA)
12:30-14:00 Lunch Break
14:00-18:00 "Good Practices for Poverty Eradication"

Input from all participants, with discussion on the model guidelines

July 7 Saturday - Public Symposium at UN University (U Thant Hall, 3rd Floor)

- 10:30-11:00 Opening Ceremony
Mr. Masakazu SEKIGUCHI, Vice Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Government of Japan
Mr. Akira SAITO, Director, Chief Officer, The Yomiuri Research Institute
Prof. Yozo YOKOTA, Special Adviser to the Rector, UN University

- 11:00-12:00 Keynote Address
 “Feminization of Poverty, Causes, Effects and Eradications”
 Dr. Muhammad YUNUS, Managing Director, Grameen Bank
- 12:00-13:00 Lunch Break
- 13:00-14:45 Panel Discussion I
 “How to challenge social disparities in the case of Japan”
 Ms. Mariko BANDO, President, Showa Women’s University
 Mr. Yoshio HIGUCHI, Professor, Keio University
 Ms. Yumiko ITO, Executive Officer, Chief Counsel, Legal &
 Corporate Affairs, Microsoft Co. Ltd.
 Ms. Yoko SAKURAI, Executive Director, Yokohama Women’s Association
 For Communication & Networking
 Ms. Teruko SHIMIZU, Former President, National Women’s Firm
 Managers Association, Member, Nakano City Assembly
 Ms. Apolonia TOLENTINO, Commissioner representing urban poor,
 National Commission on the Roles of
 Filipino Women (NCRFW)
 Coordinator: Ms. Setsuko KITAMURA, The Yomiuri Shimbun
- 14:45-15:00 Tea Break
- 15:00-16:45 Panel Discussion II
 “Feminization of Poverty in Asia - Strategies for Eradication”
 Ms. CAI Sheng, Deputy Director-General, All China Women’s
 Federation
 Ms. Hiroko HASHIMOTO, Professor of Gender Studies, Jumonji
 University, Co-convener, Japan Accountability
 Caucus for the Beijing Conference
 Ms. Thelma KAY, Director, Emerging Social Issues Division, UNESCAP
 Ms. Chitrapa SOONTORNPIPIT, Deputy Director-General, Office of
 Women’s Affairs & Family Development, Ministry of
 Social Development and Human Security
 Ms. Yoko SUZUKI, Senior Advisor, JICA
 Dr. Muhammad YUNUS, Managing Director, Grameen Bank
 Coordinator: Prof. Yozo YOKOTA, Chuo Law School
- 16:45-17:00 Closing Remarks
 Ms. Makiko ARIMA, President, Association for Human Rights of
 Women (AHRW)
- 18:00-20:00 Farewell Dinner hosted by AHRW and the Yomiuri Shimbun at Hy’s
- July 8 & 9 Study Tour
- July 10 Departure from Japan (Overseas Participants)