

International Conference on Effective Interventions for Domestic Violence against Women



Strategies to Combat

Conference Proceedings

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Program

May 9 – Seminar : Current situation

- 09.00 – Welcome- *Prof K Wijewardena* **Chairperson : Prof K Wijewardene**
– Vice Chancellor, USJP *Prof Narada Warnasuriya*
– Minister Charge d' Affairs, Embassy of Sweden *Mr Jerker Thunberg*
– Dean, FMS *Prof Jayantha Jayawardena*
– IMCH, University of Uppsala *Prof Gunilla Lindmark*
- 09.45 - WHO multi-country study on Women's health and domestic violence against women.
What's next?
Dr Henrica Jansen
- 11.00 - Tea
- 11.15 - NORVOLD – a Nordic Research Initiative on VAW
Prof Barbro Wijma
Dr Katharina Swahnberg
- 12.30 - Lunch

Chairperson : Prof. Gunilla Lindmark

- 13.30 - The construction of a national intersectorial strategy in response to VAW – Sweden
Dr Pia Axemo
- 14.30 - Tea
- 14.45 - Experiences from Sri Lanka
Ms Sunila Abesekera
Ms Sepali Kottegoda
Dr Vathsala Jayasuriya
- 16.00 - Discussion/Summing-up

May 10 – Seminar : Regional Experiences

Chairperson : Dr. Lakshman Senanayake

- 09.00 - Gender-based violence in India – different research approaches
Ms Nishi Mitra
- 10.00 - VAW – a human rights issue. Experiences from Pakistan
Dr Shersha Sayed
- 11.00 - Tea
- 11.15 - Community-based project on VAW in Sevagram, India
Dr Poonam VShiv Kumar

12.30 - Lunch

Chairperson : Prof. S. Sivayogan

13.30 - The Welcome Centre in Davao, Philippines – gained knowledge for future work

Dr Regina de la Paz Ingente

14.30 - Tea

14.45 - Counselling at Primary Health Care level for women suffering domestic violence

Dr Ruchira Tabassum Naved

16.00 - Discussion/Summing-up

May 11 – Conference :What Interventions Work?

09.00 - Opening Session

09.30 - **National Needs**

Chairperson : Dr. Pia Axemo

Ms Swarna Sumanasekara

Ms Sunila Abesekera

Prof Anoja Fernando

Ms Kumudini Samuel

11.00 - Tea

11.15 - **International Experiences
Wijewardene**

Chairperson : Prof. K .

Dr Pia Axemo

Dr Shersha Sayed

Dr Poonam VShiv Kumar

Dr Regina de la Paz Ingente

Dr Ruchira Tabassum Naved

Ms Nishi Mitra

13.00 - Lunch

13.45 - Forming networks and a national strategy. Discussion chaired by

Dr Henrica Jansen

Ms Sunila Abesekera

15.30 Closing Session/discussion

Dr. V Jayasuriya

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