

Symposium on “Gender Equality Policies in Asia and Europe”

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Gender Research Centre, Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies,
The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Date: Saturday, 15 October 2011

Time: 9.00am-12.35pm (Symposium)

12.45-2.30pm (Lunch, by invitation)

Venue: Lecture Hall 1, Cheng Yu Tung Building, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Programme Rundown

9:00am -9:30am **Registration**

9:30am-9:45am **Opening ceremony**

MC: Prof. Angela Wong Wai-ching

Associate Professor, Dept. of Cultural and Religious Studies, CUHK

Associate Director, Gender Research Centre, Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies

Welcoming speech by

Ms. Maria Castillo Fernandez

Head of Office, Office of the European Union to Hong Kong and Macao

Welcoming speech by

Prof. Fanny M. Cheung

Professor of Psychology and Chairperson, Dept. of Psychology, CUHK

Director, Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies, CUHK

9:45am-10:45am **Panel 1: Comparative Perspectives to Gender Equality Policies
in Europe and Asia**

~Presentation of souvenirs to guest speakers~

Moderator: Mr. Robert Schuddeboom

Consul-General of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Hong Kong

Gender Equality Policy: Past, Present and Future

Prof. Susanne Y.P. Choi

Associate Professor, Dept. of Sociology, CUHK

Director, Gender Research Centre, Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies, CUHK

Gender Equality Policy/Practice in Hong Kong

Mr. Lam Woon-kwong, GBS, JP.

Chairperson, Equal Opportunities Commission, Hong Kong

Gender Equality Policy in Europe

Ms. Maria Castillo Fernandez

Head of Office, Office of the European Union to Hong Kong and Macao

Roundtable / Open discussion

Commentator:

Dr. Helena Wong Pik-wan,

Chairperson, Gender Mainstreaming Steering Group, Democratic Party

Lecturer, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

10:45am-11:00am **Break**

11:00am-12:25pm **Panel 2: Implementation of Family Policy: Global examples**
~Presentation of souvenirs to guest speakers~

Moderator: Professor Wong Po-choi, M.H.
Non-official Members, Family Council
Associate Vice-President (Development), Hang Seng Management College

Family Policy in Finland
Ms. Anne-Mari Virolainen
Deputy Chair of the Committee of Employment and Equality, Finland

Work-Life Balance Policy in Japan
Ms. Yukiko Kudo
Office for Policy on Work-life Balance,
Gender Equality Bureau, Cabinet Office, Government of Japan

Family Issues in Hong Kong
Prof. Joyce Lai-chong Ma
Chairperson & Professor, Dept. of Social Work, CUHK

Working Mothers and Family Policy in the Netherlands
Ms. Jolanda Holwerda
Lof Media, the Netherlands

Roundtable / Open discussion
Commentators:
Mrs. Nunung Nurwulan
Consul, the Consulate General of the Republic of Indonesia, Hong Kong

Ms. Elsie Leung, GBM. JP.
Consultant, Iu, Lai & Li Solicitors & Notaries

12:25pm-12:35pm **Conclusion**
Prof. Fanny M. Cheung
Professor of Psychology and Chairperson, Dept. of Psychology, CUHK
Director, Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies, CUHK

12:45-2:30pm **LUNCH (by Invitation only)**
Chung Chi College Staff Club Restaurant