

Regional Forum on Gender-responsive Budgeting in Asia and the Pacific 18-19 July 2017

Meeting Room H, UN Conference Centre
Bangkok, Thailand

PROGRAMME

Tuesday, 18 July 2017 – Day 1

Time	Session
09:00-09:30	Registration
Opening session	
09:30-09:45	Opening remarks - Ms. Cai Cai, Chief, Gender Equality and Social Inclusion Section, Social Development Division, ESCAP
Session 1: Setting the Stage	
09:45-10:00	Overview of the Programme - Ms. Grace Puliyeel, Social Affairs Officer, Gender Equality and Social Inclusion Section, Social Development Division, ESCAP
10:00-10:45	Group photo and coffee break
Session 2: Understanding gender-responsive planning, budgeting and policy-making	
10:45-12:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding GRB and identifying strategic entry points in the budget cycle Status of GRB in Asia and the Pacific - Ms. Yamini Mishra, Programme Director, Gender, Sexuality and Identity, Amnesty International
12:00-13:30	Lunch
Session 3: Effective approaches to institutionalize gender-responsive budgeting	
13:30-14:30	Panel discussion: Advancing gender-responsive budgeting in Asia and the Pacific - Engendering expenditure and revenue

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Whole-of-government approach - Governance structures - Accountability mechanisms - Importance of sex-disaggregated statistics and gender indicators - Capacity-building and knowledge sharing - Lobbying and advocacy strategies <p><i>Moderator: Mr. Donald Clarke, ESCAP</i></p> <p><i>Panellists:</i> <i>Mr. Heru Kasidi, Gender Expert and Former Deputy Minister of Women's Empowerment and Child Protection, Indonesia</i> <i>Ms. Yamini Mishra, Programme Director, Gender, Sexuality and Identity, Amnesty International</i> <i>Ms. Lekha Chakraborty, Associate Professor, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, India</i> <i>Ms. Yumiko Yamamoto, Independent Researcher</i></p>
14:30-15:15	Group discussions: national reflections on institutionalizing GRB
15:15-15:45	Coffee break
Session 4: Sharing of country experiences on GRB from across Asia and the Pacific	
15:45-17:15	<p>Panel discussion: Experiences from South-East Asia</p> <p><i>Chair: Mr. Md. Abu Taleb, Deputy Secretary and Project Director, Establishment of 20 Daycare Centre, Department of Women Affairs, Ministry of Women and Children Affairs, Bangladesh</i></p> <p>Country presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Philippines • Indonesia • Cambodia • Lao People's Democratic Republic

Wednesday, 19 July 2017 – Day 2

Time	Session
	Session 4: Sharing of country experiences on GRB from across Asia and the Pacific (contd.)
09:00-10:00	Panel discussion: Experiences from South-East Asia (contd.)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Myanmar • Timor-Leste • Viet Nam
10:00 -10:15	Coffee Break
10:15-11:30	<p>Panel discussion: Experiences from South and South-West Asia</p> <p><i>Chair: Ms. Emeli Raijieli Erasito, Assistant Director, Department of Social Welfare, Ministry of Women, Children and Poverty Alleviation, Fiji</i></p> <p>Country presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bangladesh • Bhutan • Nepal • Pakistan • Sri Lanka
11:30-12:30	<p>Panel discussion: Other experiences from Asia and the Pacific</p> <p><i>Chair: Ms. Marianne Kristine Delgado, Senior Gender and Development Specialist, Philippine Commission on Women</i></p> <p>Country presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • China • Fiji • Republic of Korea • Samoa
12:30-13:30	Lunch
13:30-14:30	<p>Panel discussion: Experiences of GRB at subnational levels</p> <p><i>Chair: Ms. Susima Wijesekara, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Women and Child Affairs, Sri Lanka</i></p> <p>Presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shanghai, China • Jhapa, Nepal • The Philippines
14:30-15:00	Coffee break

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	Session 5: Way forward
15:00-16:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wrap-up of lessons learned and recommendations • Each country to identify one key action point for the way forward
	Closing session
16:00-16:15	<p>Closing remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Ms. Cai Cai, Chief, Gender Equality and Social Inclusion Section, Social Development Division, ESCAP</i>