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Symposium on family protection orders in the Pacific region

Thursday 9 December 2021

TIME (FIJI)	TIME (AEDT)	TOPIC	SPEAKER
10:00am	9:00am	Housekeeping and overview	Mr William Nainima , Adviser – Human Rights and Social Development, Pacific Community Ms Lindy Kanan , Senior Research Officer, Department of Pacific Affairs, Australian National University
10:05am	9:05am	Prayer	Ms Julieanne Wickham , Officer - Human Rights and Social Development, Pacific Community
10:10am	9:10am	Welcome	Professor Nicole Haley , Head, Pacific Research Program, Department of Pacific Affairs, Australian National University
10:15am	9:15am	Opening remarks on behalf of the 'Regional Working Group on the Implementation of Family Protection/Domestic Violence Legislation'	Ms Molie Vaai , CEO, Ministry of Justice and Court Administration, Samoa and Chair of the 'Regional Working Group on the Implementation of Family Protection/Domestic Violence Legislation'
10:25am	9:25am	Regional overview of legislation relating to family protection orders	Ms Neomai Maravuakula , Team Leader, Governance & Institutional Strengthening, Human Rights and Social Development Division, Pacific Community
10:40am	9:40am	Overview of Pacific Courts Annual Reporting on the implementation of Family Protection Acts and experience from selected Pacific Courts	Chaired by Ms Cate Sumner , Adviser, Pacific Judicial Strengthening Initiative <ul style="list-style-type: none">The Hon. Honora E. Remengesau Rudimch, Associate Justice, Trial Division, Supreme Court of PalauSenior Magistrate 'Elisapeti Makoni Langi, TongaPacific Court representative (TBC)
11.30am	10.30am	Break	

11.40am	10.40am	<p>1. Impact of strong patriarchal norms on the effectiveness of FPOs and police safety orders in Tonga</p> <p>2. Accessing family protection orders in the Pacific: Gaps and challenges</p>	<p>1. Ms 'Ofa-Ki-Levuka Guttenbeil-Likiliki, Director, Women and Children Crisis Centre, Tonga</p> <p>2. Ms Stephanie Dunn, Legal and Advocacy Officer, Fiji Women's Crisis Centre</p>
12.20pm	11.20am	<p>1. Cook Islands Family Protection and Support Act 2017 – Successes and challenges</p> <p>2. Identified gaps in protection orders and future priorities for action: A case study of Samoa</p>	<p>1. Ms Catherine Evans, Lawyer and Patron, Punanga Tauturu Inc (Women's Counselling Centre), Cook Islands</p> <p>2. Ms Johanna Gusman, Human Rights and Social Inclusion Advisor, Pacific Community</p>
1.00pm	12.00pm	<p>Panel: Family Protection Orders – the Vanuatu experience – 2008 to date</p>	<p>Panel members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspector Lily Joel, Officer in Charge, Family Protection Unit, Vanuatu Police Force • Ms Tatavola Matas, Coordinator, Vanuatu Women's Centre • Ms Polly Walker-Dorras, Senior Project Officer, Vanuatu Australia Police and Justice Program
1.50pm	12.50pm	Break	
2.00pm	1.00pm	<p>Regional Panel: More than words on paper – the reality of Protection Orders for Service Providers in Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands and Timor Leste</p>	<p>Chaired by Ms Tracey Newbury, Senior Program Manager, International Women's Development Agency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Aaron Mane, Senior Legal Officer, Family Support Centre, Solomon Islands • Ms Kiungui-Kepa Be'Soer, Legal Officer, Voice for Change, PNG • Ms Luania Kirori, Eastern Highlands Family Voice, Papua New Guinea • Sr Lorraine Garasu, Nazareth Centre for Rehabilitation, Bougainville Papua New Guinea • Ms Olinda Cardoso, Program Manager, Asisténsia Legál ba Feto no Labarik (ALFeLa), Timor Leste
3.00pm	2.00pm	Break	

3.10pm	2.10pm	Tuvalu Family Protection and Domestic Violence Act: challenges with obtaining and carrying FPOs	Ms Lisepa Paeniu , Crown Counsel, Office of the Attorney General, Tuvalu
3.25pm	2.25pm	Panel: Fiji's Experience with the Domestic Violence Restraining Order Act 2009 and subsequent amendments: how well they are working or not, the challenges experienced and how to overcome these?	Panel convened by the Fiji Women's Lawyers Association and chaired by Ms Adarshani Vikash , Lecturer, Fiji National University <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Radika Naidu, Head of Litigation, Reddy Law, Fiji • Ms Swastika Narayan, Principal, Swastika Legal, Fiji • Ms Mele Rakai, Barrister and Solicitor, Sherani & Co, Fiji
4.00pm	3.00pm	Break	
4.10pm	3.10pm	Panel: Implementing the Family Protection Act: The Solomon Islands experience	Panel members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Vaela Ngai, Director, Women's Development Division, Ministry for Women, Youth, Children and Family Affairs (MWYCFA), Solomon Islands • Ms Koisau Sade, Senior Policy Officer, Women's Development Division, MWYCFA, Solomon Islands Others TBC
5.00pm	4.00pm	1. Perpetrator/Men's Behavior Change Programming 2. Formal justice engagement with FPOs in PNG : research findings	Chaired by Mr Apolosi Bose , Deputy Director, Justice Services and Stability for Development (JSS4D), PNG <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr Tevita Seruilumi, Family and Sexual Violence & Gender Equality, Disability and Social Inclusion Adviser, JSS4D, PNG 2. Dr Judy Putt, Department of Pacific Affairs, Australian National University
5.40pm	4.40pm	Concluding remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Fiona Hukula, Gender Specialist Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat • Mr Miles Young, Director, Human Rights and Social Development Division, Pacific Community
6:00pm	5:00pm	Close	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Symposium organising committee

Time Zone Information

Location	Event running time
Cook Islands:	12pm to 8pm (8 December 2021)
Palau, Timor Leste:	7am to 3pm
Micronesia (Chuuk), Papua New Guinea, Brisbane:	8am to 4pm
Bougainville, New Caledonia, Micronesia (Pohnpei, Kosrae), Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Australian Eastern Daylight Time (AEDT; Canberra, Sydney, Melbourne):	9am to 5pm
Fiji, Kiribati (Tarawa), Nauru, Republic of Marshall Islands, Tuvalu:	10am to 6pm
New Zealand, Niue, Samoa, Tonga:	11am to 7pm
French Polynesia (Papeete):	12pm to 8pm

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