









Human Rights of Women in Detention

Tuesday 17 June 2014 1 - 3.00 pm Room XXVII, Palais des Nations

On the occasion of the Annual Day of Discussion on Women's Rights, this panel discussion brings together key actors at the international level to address human rights of women and girls who are suspects, defendants and prisoners – a group frequently discriminated against and overlooked.

It will draw on the 2010 UN Rules for the Treatment of Women Prisoners and Non-custodial Measures for Women Offenders (the Bangkok Rules) which provide guidance on addressing the specific needs of this group.

Research and resources will equip stakeholders with the tools to implement the Bangkok Rules and to use them as a reference in assessing human rights as steps towards the development of gender-sensitive criminal justice systems.

Welcome and introduction

H.E. Carsten Staur, Ambassador, Permanent Representation of Denmark to the UN

Gender-specific offences

Frances Raday, Chair of the Working Group on discrimination against women in law and practice

Pathways to, conditions and consequences of incarceration for women

Federica Donati, OHCHR on behalf of Rashida Manjoo, Special Rapporteur on violence against women

The reality of women prisoners

Mari Amos, Member of Subcommittee on the Prevention of Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (SPT)

Analysis of UN jurisprudence against the international standards

Therese Maria Rytter, Director of Legal and Advocacy Department, DIGNITY - Danish Institute Against Torture

Women, criminal justice and the post-2015 agenda

Norul Rashid, Representative of UN-Women

Addressing human rights of women in custody by CEDAW - TBC

Member of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

Moderator: Andrea Huber, Policy Director, Penal Reform International