



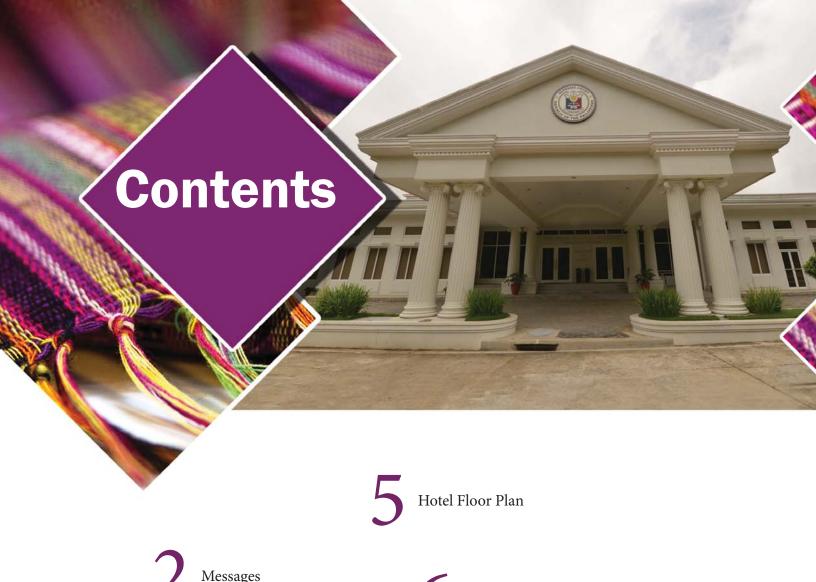
# Judicial Education 2025 Core Values and Future Innovations

8th
INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE
on the TRAINING
of the JUDICIARY

November 5 to 9

**Manila**Philippines





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HON. MARIA LOURDES P. A. SERENO Chief Justice Philippines

It is an honor and privilege for the Philippines to host the 8<sup>th</sup> International Organization for Judicial Training (IOJT) Conference on the Training of the Judiciary, the first ever to be held in Asia. With PHILJA at the forefront of this Conference, I am confident that we will have a fruitful program and dynamic networking events, as well as productive educational sessions in your chosen venues, including our world class training center in Tagaytay City. I am certain that PHILJA will also ensure that all participants will experience the renowned Filipino warmth and hospitality to the hilt, while keeping everyone safe and comfortable while amongst us.

Amidst the worldwide threats to freedom and security, I challenge the IOJT and its member institutes to remain steadfast in our shared commitment to education and training of judges and court personnel. It is through competent and effective knowledge, skills, and attitudes that we empower the judiciary for effective delivery of justice and, ultimately, peace.

I congratulate the organizing team for the timeliness of this year's conference theme: Judicial Education 2025 – Core Values and Future Innovations. No doubt, we will have invaluable sharing of experiences, interesting discussions on emerging trends, and setting of common goals for the future.

I look forward to welcoming all of you in Manila this November.



HON. ELIEZER RIVLIN
President
International Organization
for Judicial Training

We are delighted to have you as participants in the 8<sup>th</sup> International Conference on the Training of the Judiciary, November 5-9, 2017 in Manila, Philippines. The Philippine Judicial Academy will be hosting this year's conference, marking the first time the International Organization for Judicial Training (IOJT) Conference will be held in Asia.

The IOJT was established in 2002 to promote the rule of law by considering common issues for the training and education of judges, promoting and advancing cooperation among judicial training institutes, and facilitating the international exchange of information. IOJT has grown to represent 126 member institutes worldwide hosting an international conference every two years. Today, IOJT membership represents over 80 countries.

The theme for this year's conference is Judicial Education 2025 – Core Values and Future Innovations. The education program will include plenary meetings and over 15 parallel sessions designed to discuss best practices, emerging issues and innovations.

The Conference features three-and-a-half days of rigorous educational sessions and networking events, including a day trip to the Philippine Judicial Academy training facilities in beautiful Tagaytay City. Speakers will include senior judicial officials and judicial education leaders from a diverse array of countries. This year's academic program will include the presentation of International Judicial Training Principles developed by a distinguished IOJT Work Group.

I hope to see you in Manila at the 8th International Conference on the Training of the Judiciary.



Chancellor

Philippine Judicial Academy

Philippines

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to the 8<sup>th</sup> IOJT Conference on the Training of the Judiciary to be held in the Philippines on November 5-9, 2017.

The Conference is a flagship program of the IOJT and represents the largest gatherings of judicial education training institutes in the world to discuss the latest developments in the field of judicial education and trainings. The Philippine Judicial Academy, a leading provider of globally relevant, responsive, and effective training for the judiciary in the region, has been tasked to host this year's Conference. We promise an engaging program of productive exchanges of ideas among judicial education trainers. We hope to place participants within a loop of reciprocal sharing of knowledge, research, and experiences in the field of judicial education.

In addition to providing an enriching program for the Conference, we also welcome you to our premiere training facility, the PHILJA Training Center, located in the scenic city of Tagaytay. It is our hope that you get a chance to explore its surroundings and enjoy the cool atmosphere of the city.

It is our honor to receive the distinguished members of the IOJT, representatives of judicial institutes, and international and local participants of the Conference.

We look forward to meeting you all in November.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

- The 8<sup>th</sup> IOJT Conference will be held on November 5–9, 2017 at the Shangri-La at The Fort, Bonifacio Global City, Manila, Philippines, with the Supreme Court of the Philippines, through the Philippine Judicial Academy, as host.
- English is the official language of the Conference. There will be simultaneous translations into English, French and Spanish at the plenary sessions and all concurrent sessions held in the main hall during the course of the day.
- The official currency of the Conference is the US Dollar (USD \$). The currency used to purchase in the Philippines is the Philippine Peso (Php).

## CONFERENCE POLICIES AND HOUSE RULES

- All participants and accompanying persons must wear their name badge at all times throughout
  the Conference for access to all Conference educational programs, meals and social events.
   If a name badge is lost or misplaced during the Conference, the replacement fee will be USD
  \$25.
- All participants must sign the attendance roll before each plenary session and chosen concurrent session throughout the Conference.
- All participants must be seated in the plenary/session hall five (5) minutes before each session starts.
- Presenters of papers and lectures should bring PowerPoint
  Presentations to the Conference on a USB memory stick
  or similar device. There will be a computer-compatible
  projection equipment in each session room. Technical
  persons will be available throughout the Conference to
  assist all speakers with their presentations.
- Cell phones and other electronic gadgets must be put on silent mode during the Conference.
- During the Conference sessions, all questions from the plenary should be made through microphones provided for simultaneous interpretation to take place.
- Business attire is required throughout the Conference, except during the Day Trip to Tagaytay City on November 7, 2017.



# MEALS AND SOCIAL EVENTS

#### WELCOME RECEPTION

- Sunday, November 5, 2017
- Time: 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.
- Dress Code: Business
- Venue: Bonifacio Hall B, Level 4, Shangri-La at The Fort Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres

#### OFFICIAL OPENING WITH WORDS OF WELCOME FROM

- Honorable Eliezer Rivlin, President of the International Organization for Judicial Training (IOJT)
- Honorable Adolfo S. Azcuna, Chancellor of the Philippine Judicial Academy and Working President of the 8<sup>th</sup> IOJT Conference
- Ms. Mary Campbell McQueen, IOJT Secretary-General

#### **CULTURAL NIGHT**

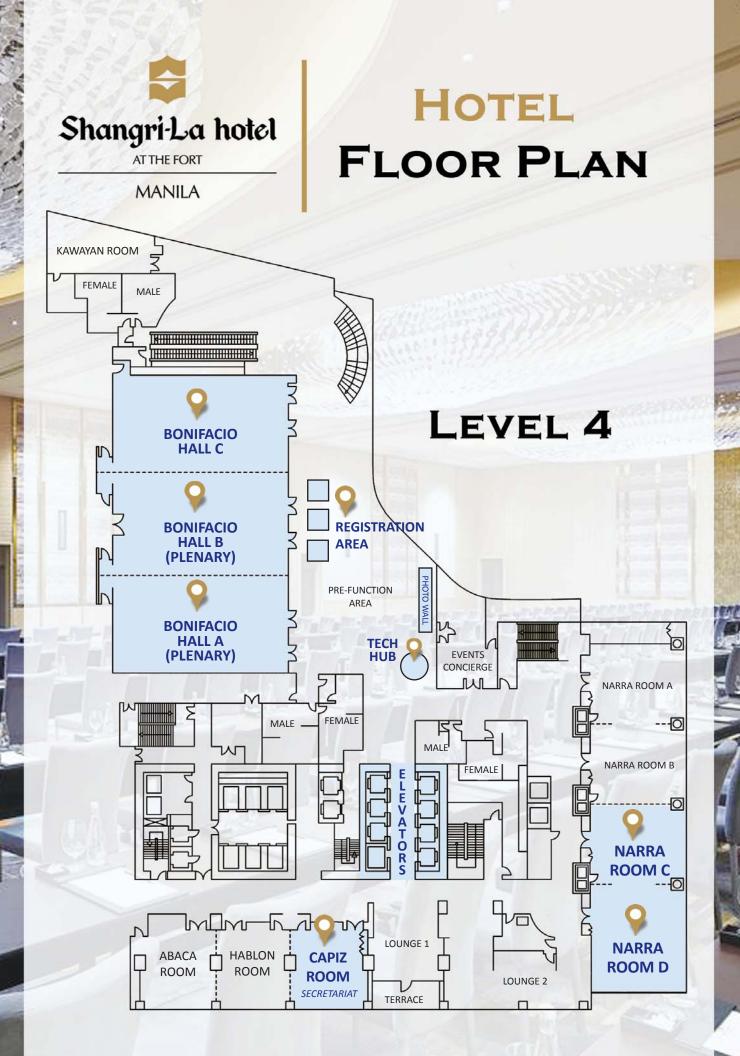
- Monday, November 6, 2017
- Time: 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.
- Dress Code: Business/Traditional Garb
- Venue: Bonifacio Hall BC, Level 4, Shangri-La at The Fort

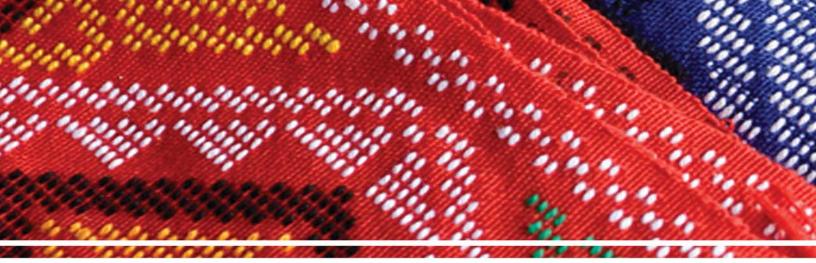
#### DAY TRIP TO TAGAYTAY CITY

- Tuesday, November 7, 2017
- Time: 8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.
- Dress Code: Business Casual

#### **CLOSING DINNER**

- Wednesday, November 8, 2017
- Time: 6:30 p.m. 9:00 p.m.
- Dress Code: Business
- Venue: Bonifacio Hall AB, Level 4, Shangri-La at The Fort





SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2017		Session 3	Organizational Structure
1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	IOJT Executive Board Meeting Capiz Room		of Judicial Training Institute Narra D
		3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Break
SUNDAY,	NOVEMBER 5, 2017	3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions:
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	IOJT Board of Governors Meeting Narra B	Session 4	Training as Part of the Judicial Role: Recruitment Process of Trainers Bonifacio Hall AB
12 noon – 6:00 p.m.	Registration	Session 5	Values and Ethics: Approaches to
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Welcome Reception Bonifacio Hall B		Integrity and Accountability Training for Judges Narra C
MONDAY,	NOVEMBER 6, 2017	Session 6	Training Content and Methodology: Multi-Disciplinary, Social Context,
7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Registration Pre-Function Area, Bonifacio Hall		and Skills-Based Narra D
8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Opening Ceremony Bonifacio Hall AB	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Cultural Night Bonifacio Hall BC
9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Plenary 1: Judicial Training Principles:	TUESDAY,	, NOVEMBER 7, 2017
	Presentation of the Draft Declaration Bonifacio Hall AB	7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	Assembly Shangri-La Lobby, Ground Level
10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Break	8:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Travel to Tagaytay
10:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	Workshops on Standard of Judicial Education Bonifacio Hall AB, Narra C and D	1:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Lunch with Cultural Show Taal Vista Hotel, Tagaytay City
12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	LUNCH	12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Travel to PHILJA Training Center PTC, Tagaytay City
Theme 1: THE ORGANIZATION AND STRUCTURE OF JUDICIAL TRAINING INSTITUTES (JTIs)		1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Planting of the IOJT Trees Front of Lodging Building, PTC Tagaytay
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions:	Theme 2: TRAINING METHODS AND GOALS	
Session 1	Funding, Infrastructure, and Maintaining Independence of JTIs	1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions:

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Session 2

Bonifacio Hall AB

Narra C

*Institutional Framework:* 

Curriculum Design and Content

Session 7

Session 8

Judicial Stress and Personal Security

Research as Component of Judicial Training

PTC Global Distance Learning Center

Computer Training Room

### SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

Session 9 *Transformative Education:* 

Experimental Education Methods and Technical Methods (Part 1 of 2)

PTC Auditorium

Session 10 Procedural Fairness

Lecture Rooms 1 and 2

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2017

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m.- 10:15 a.m. General Assembly

Bonifacio Hall AB

10:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Concurrent Sessions:

Session 11 Transformative Education:

Experimental Education Methods and Technical Methods (Part 2 of 2)

Bonifacio Hall AB

Session 12 Legal and Judicial Education:

The Role of Law Schools

Narra C

Session 13 Use of Technology by Judicial Trainer

Narra D

12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Lunch

Theme 3: INNOVATIONS IN DEVELOPING AND EVALUATING JUDICIAL TRAINING

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions:

Session 14 Going Beyond Post-Event

Questionnaires: Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Techniques

Bonifacio Hall AB

Session 15 Models and Innovative Evalutation

**Techniques** 

Narra C

Session 16 Developing Mediation Skills for Judges

Narra D

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Break

**Theme 4: EMERGING CHALLENGES** 

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Concurrent Sessions:** 

Session 17 *Cyber Security:* 

What Judges Should Know and Ensuring Security and Integrity of Judicial Websites and Information

Bonifacio Hall AB

Session 18 Emerging Challenges and the

Response of the Judicial Branch,

Insight from Academia

Narra C

Session 19 Dealing with Media and the Public

Narra D

6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. **Closing Dinner** 

Bonifacio Hall AB

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2017

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m Registration

9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Concurrent Sessions:

Session 20 Counter-Terrorism Training for Judges

Bonifacio Hall AB

Session 21 Dealing with Digital Evidence

Narra C

Session 22 Emerging Challenges in Judicial

Education Narra D

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10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Plenary 2: Planning for the Future

and Debriefing
Bonifacio Hall AB

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 a.m. Lunch and Closing Remarks

Bonifacio Hall AB



#### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2017**

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. IOJT Executive Committee Meeting

Capiz Room

#### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2017**

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. IOJT Board of Governors Meeting

Narra B

12 noon – 6:00 p.m. Registration

Pre-Function Area, Bonifacio Hall

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Welcome Reception

Bonifacio Hall B

#### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2017**

**7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.** Registration

Pre-Function Area, Bonifacio Hall

8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Opening Ceremony

Bonifacio Hall AB

Master of Ceremonies: Ms. Mary Campbell McQueen

President, National Center for State Courts, USA

Invocation
National Anthem

KeyNote Address: Honorable Maria Lourdes P. A. Sereno

Chief Justice of the Philippines

Opening Message: Honorable Eliezer Rivlin

President, International Organization for Judicial Training (IOJT), and Justice (ret.), Supreme Court, Israel

Honorable Adolfo S. Azcuna

Chancellor, Philippine Judicial Academy (PHILJA), and Justice (ret.), Supreme Court, Philippines

9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Plenary 1: <u>Judicial Training Principles: Presentation of the Draft Manila Declaration</u>

Bonifacio Hall AB

Speakers: CHAIR: Honorable Benoît Chamouard

Judge, Head, International Department, French National School for the Judiciary (ENM), France

Honorable C. Adèle Kent

Justice, Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta, and Executive Director, National Judicial Institute, Canada

Mr. John Robert Meeks

Vice President, Institute for Court Management, National Center for State Courts, USA

**Honorable Amady Ba** 

Head, International Cooperation, International Criminal Court, The Hague, Netherlands



#### Honorable Wojciech Postulski

Judge, Secretary General, European Judicial Training Network, Belgium

#### Mr. Leonel González

Director, Training Department, Justice Studies Center of the Americas, Chile

#### Ms. Christa Marie Christensen

Judge, Director of Training (Tribunals), Judicial College, United Kingdom

Description: The draft Manila Declaration sets out a number of guiding principles of judicial training, which reflect how IOJT members conceptualize and strive to implement judicial training. The principles are both the common base and the horizon uniting judicial training institutions throughout the world, regardless of the diversity of judicial systems.

**10:15** a.m. – **10:30** a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Workshops on Standards of Judicial Education

#### Workshop 1 - Bonifacio Hall AB

Honorable C. Adèle Kent, Justice, Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta, and Executive Director, National CHAIR:

Judicial Institute, Canada

REPORTERS: Mr. Leonel González, Director, Training Department, Justice Studies Center of the Americas, Chile

Honorable Amady Ba, Head, International Cooperation, International Criminal Court, The Hague,

Netherlands

#### Workshop 2 - Narra C

CHAIR: Honorable Wojciech Postulski, Judge, Secretary General, European Judicial Training Network, Belgium REPORTER:

Mr. John Robert Meeks, Vice President, Institute for Court Management, National Center for State Courts,

USA

#### Workshop 3 - Narra D

CHAIR: Honorable Benoît Chamouard, Judge, Head, International Department, French National School for the

Judiciary (ENM), France

REPORTER: Ms. Christa Marie Christensen, Judge, Director of Training (Tribunals), Judicial College, United Kingdom

Description: The workshops will give the opportunity to IOJT members to exchange on the draft declaration of the principles of judicial training, after its presentation in the plenary session. The members of the working group who drafted the declaration will be able to provide explanations on the content and the wording of the text. The remarks and comments which achieve consensus will be integrated in the final declaration, to be presented to IOJT general assembly.

12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Lunch

#### Theme 1: THE ORGANIZATION AND STRUCTURE OF JUDICIAL TRAINING INSTITUTES

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Concurrent Sessions** 

> Session 1. Funding, Infrastructure, and Maintaining Independence of Judicial Training Institutes

> > Bonifacio Hall AB

Speakers: CHAIR: Honorable Eliezer Rivlin, President, International Organization for Judicial Training (IOJT), and

Justice (ret.), Supreme Court, Israel

"Transparency and Judicial Education: A Case Study" by Honorable C. Adèle Kent, Justice, Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta, and Executive Director, National Judicial Institute, Canada

"The Judicial Training in Latin America: Study on the Practices of the Judicial Colleges" by Mr. Leonel **González**, Director, Training Department, Justice Studies Center of the Americas, Chile

"Governance of a Judicial Training Institute: What position for the Institute within the Judicial System" by **Honorable Benoît Chamouard**, *Judge*, *Head*, *International Department*, *French National School for the Judiciary (ENM)*, *France* 

Honorable Justice Kashim Zannah, Chief Judge of the High Court of Justice, Nigeria

**Description:** The governance of a judicial training institute consists in finding the best possible balance between judicial stakeholders. This session will explore how the highest judicial authorities are involved in judicial training and the challenges and tension in responding to acts of other branches of government that potentially infringe on judicial independence.

#### Session 2. <u>Institutional Framework: Curriculum Design and Content</u>

Narra C

Speakers: CHAIR: Honorable Thelma A. Ponferrada, Judge (ret.) and PHILJA Professor, Philippines

"Philippine Judicial Academy: Curriculum Review" by **Honorable Maria Filomena D. Singh**, Associate Justice, Court of Appeals, and Member, PHILJA Subcommittee on the Curriculum Review, Philippines

"China's Judges Education and Training Reform: Practice and Future Innovation" by **Prof. Li Xiaomin**, Vice President, National Judges College, Supreme People's Court, People's Republic of China

"Judicial Training in Pakistan: Methodology and Evaluation" by **Mr. Muhammad Shahid Shafiq**, *Judge, Sindh Judicial Academy, Pakistan* 

**Description:** Recognizing the importance of a dynamic curriculum, this session will present the review and reform efforts of judicial institutions, discussing how judicial reform is changing their respective systems, contents and methods of judges' education. This session also highlights the need to adopt ways of training judges to meet the current challenges in the judiciary.

#### Session 3. Organizational Structure of Judicial Training Institutes

Narra D

Speakers:

CHAIR: Mr. Ernest Schmatt PSM, Chief Executive, Judicial Commission of New South Wales, Australia

"The Philippine Judicial Academy" by **Honorable Adolfo S. Azcuna**, *PHILJA Chancellor*, and *Justice* (ret.), Supreme Court, Philippines

"Globalising Judicial Training: The Singapore Experience" by **Honorable Tan Boon Heng**, *District Judge, State Courts, and Executive Director, Singapore Judicial College, Singapore* 

"Decentralized Judicial Education: Exploring a Dual Judicial Education Model" by **Honorable Dr. Yigal Mersel**, Director, Center for Judicial Education and Training, Israel

"Organizational Structure of the German Judicial Academy" by **Dr. Rainer Hornung**, Deputy Chief Prosecutor, Lörrach Prosecution Office, and Former Director of the German Judicial Academy, Germany

**Description:** From different perspectives, the speakers will discuss the organizational structures of their respective judicial institutions, emphasizing on the work and impact of their programs.

3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

Session 4. <u>Training as Part of the Judicial Role: Recruitment Process of Trainers</u>

Bonifacio Hall AB

Speakers: CHAIR: Honorable Nerina Casandra N. Anastacio-Mendinueto, First Level Court Representative to PHILJA

Board of Trustees, Philippines

"The Internship as Part of the Training: Relationship between Judicial Training Institutes and Courts" by Ms. Sarah Dupont, Deputy Director, French National School for the Judiciary (ENM), France

"Equality of Opportunities in the Recruitment of the Judiciary" by **Mrs. Tania Jewzcuk**, *Judge, International Department, French National School for the Judiciary (ENM), France* 

"Training Facilitators for Peer Consultation Group's Leadership" and "The Unique Nature of Judicial Expertise and Know-How" by **Honorable Daphna Blatman-Kedrai**, Appellate Court Judge, Central District Court, Israel

**Description:** This session will discuss various aspects of training as part of the judicial role, especially the recruitment process of trainers: (a) Issues of equality of opportunities in judicial recruitment; (b) Ways to create and maintain an efficient relationship between judicial training institutes and courts, describing the system of the French National School for the Judiciary (ENM) on this issue, with both its assets and drawbacks, as well as the models chosen by other judicial training institutes; and (c) The theory and practice of the Peer Group Consultation as a judicial training model implemented in courts as part of a seven-year court management project in Israel. This model highlights the conduct of regular open dialogue among judges of a particular place or a particular field to jointly analyze work experiences and related issues, such as practices, procedures, and standards; and to discuss issues of collegiality, rules of conduct, and mutual assistance.

#### Session 5. <u>Values and Ethics: Approaches to Integrity and Accountability Training for Judges</u>

Narra C

**Speakers:** CHAIR: **Mr. Jeffrey A. Apperson**, Vice President, International Programs Division, National Center for State Courts, USA

Honorable Maureen O'Connor, Chief Justice, The Supreme Court of Ohio, USA

Honorable Adolfo S. Azcuna, PHILJA Chancellor, and Justice (ret.), Supreme Court, Philippines

Honorable Wojciech Postulski, Judge, Secretary General, European Judicial Training Network, Belgium

**Ms. Roberta Solis Ribeiro Martins**, Judicial Integrity Team Leader, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), Austria

**Description:** There are several national and international efforts such as the United Nations Doha Declaration to improve judicial institutional capacity to manage integrity and accountability more effectively. Improvements in these areas have a relational effect on judicial independence, public trust and confidence, and commercial investment considerations, among others. It is, therefore, of utmost importance that national and international judiciaries build strong internal mechanisms for the institutions to self-regulate the administration of strong codes of conduct, ethical guidelines and the role of judges and staff, as institutional leaders, in adhering to policy requirements. The emerging and ongoing challenge for judicial training institutions is to establish training methods and goals based on best practices to facilitate the critical development of curricula to address this essential global training goal.

#### Session 6. <u>Training Content and Methodology: Multi-Disciplinary, Social Context and Skills-Based</u> Narra D

**Speakers:** CHAIR: **Fr. Ranhilio C. Aquino**, Chair, PHILJA Department of Jurisprudence and Legal Philosophy, Philippines

"Training Methods and Goals" by **Mrs. Louise Lee Leth**, *Head, Department of Training, Danish Court Administration, Denmark* 

"Adult Learning Theory: Distinguishing How Adults Learn" by **Mr. Joseph Roland Sawyer**, *Director, Faculty Development and Online Learning, National Judicial College, USA* 

"Drafting Meaningful Learning Objectives: Building a Foundation for Your Course" by **Mr. William Jeffrey Brunson**, *Director, Special Projects, National Judicial College, USA* 

"Philosophy and the Judicial Curriculum" by **Fr. Ranhilio C. Aquino**, *Chair, PHILJA Department of Jurisprudence and Legal Philosophy, Philippines* 

**Description:** This session aims to discuss the following training aspects: (a) Understanding the different learning styles of the judges — kinesthetic, visual, auditory — as a means of ensuring that training programs are able to produce the desired learning outcomes; (b) Identifying the characteristics of adult learners and the methods to motivate them; (c) Recognizing the importance of effective learning objectives to improve retention and comprehension of information, taking into account the characteristics and purposes of learning objectives; what learning objectives are not; and cognitive, attitudinal and behavioral learning objectives; and (d) Identifying philosophical issues in relation to judicial education.

**5:00 p.m.** End of Sessions

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Cultural Night

Bonifacio Hall BC

#### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2017**

7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Assembly

Shangri-La Lobby, Ground Level

**8:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m**. Travel To Tagaytay

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Lunch with Cultural Show

Taal Vista Hotel, Tagaytay City

12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Travel to PHILJA Training Center (PTC)

PTC, Tagaytay City

1:00 p.m. -1:30 p.m. Planting of IOJT Trees

Front of Lodging Building, PTC Tagaytay

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

#### Theme 2: TRAINING METHODS AND GOALS

Session 7. <u>Judicial Stress and Personal Security</u>

Computer Training Room

Speakers: CHAIR: Honorable Georgina D. Hidalgo, Presiding Judge, Branch 122, Caloocan City, Metro Manila,

Philippines

"Judges in Community: Deepening our Understanding of Mental Health" and "Survive and Thrive" by **Honorable Richard D. LeBlanc**, *Justice*, *Supreme Court of the Newfoundland and Labrador*, *Trial Division*,

Canada

 $\hbox{``Judicial Resilience and How to Work Gaining Public Confidence'' by \textbf{Ms. Merethe Eckhardt}, \textit{Director of} \\$ 

Development, Danish Court Administration, Denmark

"The Role of Personal Security in an Independent Judiciary" by Honorable Anne Perpetual S. Rivera-Sia,

Presiding Judge, Metropolitan Trial Court, Branch 12, Manila, Philippines

**Description:** This session focuses on three aspects:

(a) Mental health of judges and the factors that contribute to, and hinder, their productivity as judges.

This session seeks to deepen the participants' understanding of mental health as an articulation of judicial impartiality. It will examine strategies relating to one's own mental health and self-regulation in the courtroom; explore capacity and presumptions of normalcy in the mental health context; and develop strategies to respond to parties in the courtroom who fall along a continuum of mental wellness.

(b) Judicial Resilience and Gaining Public Confidence

This session aims to demonstrate how judges could work to enhance public trust and confidence in the judiciary.

(c) Personal Security

This session emphasizes the role of the judges in the protection of human rights, as well as the preservation of the Rule of Law, which needs to be protected from restrictions, improper influences, inducements, pressures and threats in deciding matters before them.

Session 8. Research as Component of Judicial Training

PTC Global Distance Learning Center

Speakers: CHAIR: Atty. Elmer DG. Eleria, PHILJA Chief of Office for Administration, Philippines

"Research and Judicial Education" by **Dean Sedfrey M. Candelaria**, *Head, PHILJA Research, Publications and Linkages Office, and Dean, Ateneo de Manila University School of Law, Philippines* 

Dr. Richard Walter Fee, Director, Judicial Education, Judicial Education Center, Guam

**Description:** This session aims to provide a comparative analysis of how research is used as a component of judicial training by citing examples of current practices of selected judicial training institutions. It will look into the milestones reached by the judicial training institutions, the challenges they encountered, the best practices of leading institutions, and attempt to predict the direction of research in judicial education based on the present circumstances.

Session 9. Transformative Education: Experimental Education Methods and Technical Methods (Part 1 of 2)

PTC Auditorium

Speakers: CHAIR: Honorable Oswaldo D. Agcaoili, Justice (ret.) and PHILJA Professor, Philippines

"Peer Group Consultation as Judicial Training Method" by **Honorable Daphna Blatman-Kedrai**, *Appellate Court Judge, Central District Court, Israel* 

"Induction Training" by Dr. Geeta Oberoi, Professor, National Judicial Academy, India

"Kolb's Learning Style Inventory: Teaching to Different Learning Styles and Presentations Skills: Connecting with your Learners" by **Mr. Joseph Roland Sawyer**, *Director, Faculty Development and Online Training, National Judicial College, USA* 

"Designing Openings and Closings: Creating a Beginning and End and Selecting and Creating Materials: Supporting Learner-Centered Education" by **Mr. William Jeffrey Brunson**, *Director, Special Projects, National Judicial College, USA* 

**Description:** As transformative education seeks significant change in learning and future perception, this session includes an array of experimental methods in judicial education, from a discussion on induction training, and its importance, for newly recruited judges in India and the concept of Peer Group Consultation as a judicial training model implemented in Israel, to a more focused learning sessions on Learning Style Inventory, developed by Dr. David Kolb; principles of strong openings and definitive closings; and characteristics of effective materials for judicial education.

Session 10. <u>Procedural Fairness</u>

Lecture Rooms 1 and 2

Speakers: CHAIR: Honorable Rodolfo G. Palattao, Justice (ret.), and Chair, PHILJA Department of Criminal Law,

**Philippines** 

"Justice on Trial: Procedural Fairness: One Key to Public Confidence and Trust in the Courts" by **Honorable John P. Erlick**, *Judge*, *King County Superior Court*, *USA* 

"Procedural Fairness: A Fresh Look at Court Processes" by **Honorable Ma. Corazon B. Gaite-Llanderal**, *Presiding Judge, Regional Trial Court, Branch 40, Misamis Oriental and Cagayan de Oro City, Philippines* 

**Description:** This session, from local and international perspectives, shall discuss the concept of "procedural fairness" as a core value that needs to be promoted in future judicial training. This session will also explore the status of public confidence in judicial institutions, demonstrate how procedural fairness can affect and enhance public confidence, and provide methods for educating judges on how to employ and apply procedural fairness.

4:00 p.m. End of Sessions

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Travel to Manila

Free evening to make your own dining arrangements

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2017

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. General Assembly

Bonifacio Hall AB

**10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.** Break

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

Session 11. Transformative Education: Experimental Education Methods and Technical Methods (Part 2 of 2)

Bonifacio Hall AB

Speakers: CHAIR: Honorable Noel G. Tijam, Associate Justice, Supreme Court, Philippines

"Large Offering Skills-Based Education" by **Honorable C. Adèle Kent**, *Justice, Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta, and Executive Director, National Judicial Institute, Canada* 

"Experimental Judicial Training: Teaching Judges via In-Person Meetings with Victims and Defendants in Criminal Trials" by **Honorable Gilad Neuthal**, Vice President and Head, Criminal Department, District Court of Tel-Aviv, Israel

"Learning Activities: Making Learning Interactive" by **Mr. William Jeffrey Brunson**, *Director, Special Projects, National Judicial College, USA* 

"Using PowerPoint Effectively in Judicial Education" by **Mr. Joseph Roland Sawyer**, *Director, Faculty Development and Online Training, National Judicial College, USA* 

**Description:** This second session on transformative education will explore the education methods from different jurisdictions, *e.g.*, skills-based education and pedagogy in small classes to larger groups of participants; the use of an unconventional training method where judges hold in-person, out-of-court meetings with victims and defendants in criminal trials; use of interactive methods in teaching adult professionals to improve the retention rates of learners; and PowerPoint techniques to improve retention and comprehension during training programs and activities.

Session 12. <u>Legal and Judicial Education: The Role of Law Schools</u>

Narra C

**Speakers:** CHAIR: **Dr. Pacifico A. Agabin**, Chair, PHILJA Department of Constitutional Law, Philippines

Mrs. Oyumaa Volodya, Member, Judicial General Council, Mongolia

"Role of Law School" by Dean Emerson B. Aquende, Chairperson, Legal Education Board, Philippines

"Legal and Judicial Education" by **Dean Ma. Soledad Derequito-Mawis**, *President, Philippine Association of Law Schools, and Member, PHILJA Board of Trustees, Philippines* 

**Description:** Judges play an important role in the protection of rights and the rule of law. This session will discuss the relationship between law schools and judicial institutes in the creation of a system of education and development of curriculum that transitions law school education to judicial education. Curriculum development has a strategy in making law students better prepared for judicial office which may be pursued by a regulatory body like the Legal Education Board in the Philippines.

#### Session 13. <u>Use of Technology by Judicial Trainer</u>

Narra D

Speakers:

CHAIR: Mr. Ernest Schmatt PSM, Chief Executive, Judicial Commission of New South Wales, Australia

"Creating the PHILJA Online Training Hub" by **Honorable Jose Midas P. Marquez**, Chair, PHILJA Department of Court Management, and Court Administrator, Supreme Court, Philippines

"The Virtual Environment of Learning the Judgeship: The Use of Online Platforms and Interactive Avatars as Training Methods for Judges" by **Honorable Robert J. Torres, Jr.**, Justice, Supreme Court of Guam, Guam Judicial Center, Guam

"AJMJ Continuous Innovation: Continuing Professional Development Programs and E-Learning System" by **Ms. Lu Hsiao-Yun**, Chief, Academic Affairs Department, Academy for the Judiciary, Ministry of Justice, Taiwan

"Gamification: Optimising the Learning Experience" by **Honorable Foo Chee Hock,** *Judicial Commissioner,* Supreme Court, and Dean, Singapore Judicial College, and **Honorable Tan Boon Heng,** District Judge, State Courts and Executive Director, Singapore Judicial College, Singapore

**Description:** Given the growing need to develop and adapt with modern education techniques, this session will discuss the benefits of utilizing online and e-learning platforms by various judicial institutions.

12:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Lunch

#### Theme 3: INNOVATIONS IN DEVELOPING AND EVALUATING JUDICIAL TRAINING

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

Session 14. Going Beyond Post-Event Questionnaires: Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Techniques

Bonifacio Hall AB

Speakers: CHAIR: Ms. Una Marie Doyle, Director of Education, Judicial Commission of New South Wales, Australia

"Assess the Efficiency and the Impact of Judicial Authorities Training Programs" by **Honorable Amady Ba**, Head, International Cooperation, International Criminal Court, The Hague, Netherlands

"Going beyond Monitoring and Evaluation" by **Dr. Otilia Pacurari**, *Professor, National Institute for Magistracy, Bucharest, Romania* 

"Development of Outcome-Based Education Gender Sensitivity Training for Court Personnel of the Philippine Judiciary" by **Professor Doctor Erlyn A. Sana**, *Professor*, *National Teacher Training Center for the Health Profession*, *University of Manila*, *Philippines* 

**Description:** With the growing importance and need to establish a monitoring and evaluation system in judicial education, this session aims to: (a) Look beyond evaluation in an integrative way; (b) Determine the need to assess judicial education, the issues in assessing the efficiency of judicial programs, and means to improve the system of evaluation; and in a more focused discussion (c) Formulate an appropriate training design matching the levels of understanding of court personnel on gender sensitivity.

Session 15. <u>Models and Innovative Evaluation Techniques</u>

Narra C

Speakers: CHAIR: Honorable Delilah Vidallon-Magtolis, Justice (ret.) and PHILJA Chief of Office for Academic Affairs,

Philippines

"Evaluating Your Educational Courses Using Kirkpatrick's Evaluation Model" by **Mr. William Jeffrey Brunson**, *Director, Special Projects, National Judicial College, USA* 

**Mr. John Robert Meeks**, Vice President, Institute for Court Management, National Center for State Courts, USA

"Short-Term and Long-Term Evaluation of Judicial Training" by **Dr. Rainer Hornung**, *Deputy Chief Prosecutor*, *Lörrach Prosecution Office*, and *Former Director of the German Judicial Academy*, *Germany* 

"Evaluation of Gender Sensitivity Training of Selected Court Personnel" by **Dr. Melflor A. Atienza**, *Professor*, *University of the Philippines Manila*, *Philippines* 

**Description:** This session aims: (1) to identify practical teaching suggestions for improving judicial branch courses; (2) to utilize the checklist of suggestions for improving courses; (3) to evaluate courses with greater precision; and (4) in a more focused discussion on the application of evaluation model to selected personnel of the Philippine Judiciary related to the gender sensitivity training conducted by the Philippine Judicial Academy, to evaluate the short term effects of the GST on the levels of understanding, perception on gender-related issues and actual practices of the personnel.

#### Session 16. <u>Developing Mediation Skills for Judges</u>

Narra D

Speakers:

CHAIR: Atty. Linda L. Malenab-Hornilla, Chair, PHILJA Department of Alternative Dispute Resolution, Philippines

"Court-Annexed Mediation (CAM) and Judicial Dispute Resolution (JDR): The Philippine Experience in Skills-Based Training and Transformational Education" by **Atty. Brenda Jay Angeles-Mendoza**, Chief of Office, Philippine Mediation Center, Philippines

#### Reactors:

Honorable Soliman M. Santos, Jr., Presiding Judge, Regional Trial Court, Branch 61, Naga City, Philippines

**Honorable Teresita Asuncion M. Lacandula-Rodriguez,** *Presiding Judge, Metropolitan Trial Court, Branch* 81, *Valenzuela City, Metro Manila, Philippines* 

**Description:** This unique session with reactors from two seleted local judges, will present how PHILIA-PMCO training approach on CAM and JDR has evolved from the time that they were introduced to the Philippine judiciary up to the present, where ad hoc changes have been made to reflect cultural considerations and practical experiences in mediating disputes. This session will make recommendations on the need to further enhance PHILIA-PMCO's CAM and JDR training and trainer capacity, particularly in terms of transforming the mindset and effecting a paradigm shift among judges, lawyers, and other stakeholders in resolving disputes away from traditional litigation and adjudication; in developing new skills for dealing with novel, difficult, and complex cases that may be filed in the courts; and in addressing post-training evaluation concerns of CAM and JDR practice.

3:00 pm - 3:30 pm Break

#### **Theme 4: EMERGING CHALLENGES**

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions

Session 17. <u>Cyber Security: What Judges Should Know and Ensuring Security and Integrity of Judicial Websites and</u>

<u>Information</u> Bonifacio Hall AB

Speakers: CHAIR: Honorable Benes Z. Aldana, President, National Judicial College, USA

"Social Media and Big Data—A Judicial Survival Guide" by **Honorable Barry Clarke**, Regional Employment Judge for Wales and Deputy Chairman, Central Arbitration Committee, United Kingdom



"Online Sexual Exploitation of Children and the Philippine Judicial Academy Competency Enhancement Training Program" by **Prof. Myrna S. Feliciano**, Chair, PHILJA Department of Legal Method and Research, Philippines

**Description:** The world is changing – and judges, being part of it, must adapt to linguistic, cultural and societal changes, including those prompted by technology. This session will discuss various issues (a) how social media creates risk to judges whose identity can be gleaned by online tracking methods without the need to sign up to any social media service; (b) big data and loss of privacy by considering the online activities of judges (and their friends and family members); (c) social media as generating evidence by examining samples from crime, family, defamation, employment and commercial information; and d) judicial misconduct by examining specimen codes of ethics for judges and how judicial activities online can result in disciplinary sanctions. The session aims to equip judges with the tools to perform their jobs in an increasingly hyperconnected world and maximize their digital security.

With the above-stated modern environment and issues, there will be a focused discussion on a more sensitive topic, *i.e.*, online sexual exploitation of children and how the Philippine Judicial Academy capacitates its judges through competency enhancement trainings in handling such cases.

#### Session 18. <u>Emerging Challenges and the Response of the Judicial Branch, Insight from Academia</u>

Narra C

#### Speakers:

CHAIR: **Dean Merlin M. Magallona**, Chair, PHILJA Department of International and Human Rights Law, Philippines

"Electoral Courts: Substantive and Methodological Challenges for Judicial Training: Experience and Prospective in Mexico" by **Dr. Carlos Soriano Cienfuegos**, *Director*, *Judicial Electoral Training Center of the Federal Court*, *Mexico* 

"Opportunities and Challenges of Judicial Education in Nepal" by **Mr. Shreekrishna Mulmi**, *Deputy Director*, *National Judicial Academy*, *Nepal* 

"Remedial Law as an Instrument to Promote Social Justice and Environmental Protection" by **Honorable Magdangal M. De Leon**, Associate Justice, Court of Appeals, and Chair, PHILJA Department of Remedial Law, Philippines

"To Frontiers and Beyond: Assessing the Refugee Crisis and Large Scale Human Migration within the ASEAN Context" by **Honorable Maria Josefina G. San Juan-Torres**, *Presiding Judge*, *Regional Trial Court*, *Branch 79*, *Morong*, *Rizal*, *Philippines* 

**Description:** This session will explore various issues and challenges in this modern era: (a) role that remedial law plays in the promotion of social justice and in the protection of the environment; (b) role of the judiciary within the region in the critical area of protection of human rights and application of the rule of law in times of refugee flow and large scale migration/human displacement; and (c) challenges and opportunities in judicial education in Nepal.

#### Session 19. <u>Dealing with Media and the Public</u>

Narra D

#### Speakers:

CHAIR: **Honorable Theodore O. Te**, Assistant Court Administrator, Public Information Office, Supreme Court and Vice Chair, PHILJA Department of Court Management, Philippines

"Communication Skills and Working with the Media" by **Ms. Merethe Eckhardt**, *Director of Development, Danish Court Administration, Denmark* 

"Dealing with Media and the Public" by **Honorable William L. Knopf**, Judge (ret.), Kentucky Court of Appeals, USA

"Dealing with Media and the Public" by **Honorable Jasbendar Kaur**, *District Judge and Deputy Registrar,* Singapore State Courts, Singapore

**Description:** This session focuses on the relationship of the courts and the media in the administration of justice for building up public support and strengthening judicial independence. It also aims to demonstrate how judges could work to enhance public trust and confidence in the judiciary.

**5:00 p.m.** End of Sessions

6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Closing Dinner

Bonifacio Hall AB

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2017

8:00 a.m. – 9 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Concurrent Sessions

Session 20. <u>Counter-Terrorism Training for Judges</u>

Bonifacio Hall AB

**Speakers:** CHAIR: **Dr. Rainer Hornung**, Deputy Chief Prosecutor, Lörrach Prosecution Office, and Former Director of

the German Judicial Academy, Germany

"The Ethics of Trying Terrorism Cases: A View from the Bench" by **Honorable Eliezer Rivlin**, *President*, *International Organization for Judicial Training (IOJT)*, and *Justice (ret.)*, *Supreme Court*, *Israel* 

"Human Rights in Counter-Terrorism Training" by **Ms. Carolin Schleker**, Human Rights Officer, UN Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED)

"The Role of a Judicial Training Institute in the Fight Against Terrorism" by **Mrs. Tania Jewczuk**, *Judge, International Department, French National School for the Judiciary (ENM), France* 

"Practice-oriented Counter-Terrorism Training for Judges and Prosecutors Offered by the EJTN" by **Dr. Rainer Hornung**, *Deputy Chief Prosecutor*, *Lörrach Prosecution Office*, and *Former Director of the German Judicial Academy, Germany* 

**Description:** Adjudicating terrorism cases raises several particular challenges: The judge needs to be experienced and to have in-depth knowledge on specific procedural questions (*e.g.*, about how to handle evidence gathered abroad and information given by intelligence services), as well as on specific terrorist criminal offenses (membership in a – foreign – terrorist organization, undergoing terrorist training abroad, apology of terrorism, etc.). At the same time, the judge should in essence not treat the defendants differently from common offenders, all by trying to contribute to their deradicalization. That is why the first two presentations will focus on the ethical and human rights impact of terrorism cases and on how judicial training can be carried out in this field. The following two presentations will illustrate strategies and practical examples of judicial counter-terrorism training, both at the domestic (French) and the European (EJTN) level.

Session 21. <u>Dealing with Digital Evidence</u>

Narra C

**Speakers:** CHAIR: **Prof. Jose Jesus M. Disini, Jr.**, Vice Chair, PHILJA Department of Court Technology, Philippines

**Honorable Rainelda H. Estacio-Montesa,** *Member, PHILJA Department of Court Management, and Presiding Judge, Regional Trial Court, Branch 46, Manila, Philippines* 

Atty. Francisco Ed. Lim, Vice Chair, PHILJA Department of Commercial Law, Philippines

**Description:** This session will focus on challenges in handling digital evidence in courts and how it affects legal proceedings. Considering that we are currently living in a digital society, it is encouraged to have an extensive knowledge concerning digital evidence. Given its unique characteristics, the same should be treated with thoroughness as digital evidence becomes more pervasive in court proceedings.

#### Session 22. **Emerging Challenges in Judicial Education**

Narra D

Speakers:

CHAIR: Honorable Noel G. Tijam, Associate Justice, Supreme Court, Philippines

"Emerging Challenges in Judicial Education: Nigeria in Focusi" by Ms. Hadiza S. Sa'eed, Deputy Director, Natinal Judicial Council, Nigeria

"Perspectives of Trafficking in Liberia and Judicial Education: The Liberian Experience" by Honorable Moses S. Soribah, Acting Executive Director, James A.A. Pierre Judicial Institute, Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa

Honorable Selma Palacio Alaras, Presiding Judge, Regional Trial Court, Branch 62, Regional Trial Court, Makati City, Philippines

"Emerging Challenges in Judicial Education: Preparing for the Shifts in Learning Methods of the Next Generation of Judges" by Atty. Maria Luisa Isabel L. Rosales, Lecturer, Ateneo de Manila University School of Law, Philippines

Description: This session explores the various challenges in judicial education in different jurisdictions and perpectives and issues being addressed (a) judicial education in Liberia and Nigeria and (b) challenges faced by millenials as they fill the Bench and the possible approaches using The Judicial Mind as one example.

10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Plenary 2: Planning for the Future: Conference Review and Debriefing

Bonifacio Hall AB

Speakers:

CHAIR: Ms. Mary Campbell McQueen, IOJT Secretary-General, and President, National Center for State Courts, USA

Honorable Eliezer Rivlin, IOJT President, and Justice (ret.), Supreme Court, Israel

Honorable Eileen A. Kato, IOJT Treasurer, and Judge (ret.), USA

Honorable Sheridan Greenland, IOJT Deputy Secretary-General, and Executive Director, Judicial College, United Kingdom

Mr. Ernest Schmatt PSM, IOJT Board Member, and Chief Executive, Judicial Commission of New South Wales, Australia

Dr. Rainer Hornung, IOJT Board Member, and Deputy Chief Prosecutor, Lörrach Prosecution Office, Germany

Honorable Fernando Cerqueira Norberto Dos Santos, IOJT Board Member, and Justice, State Superior Court of Pernambuco, Brazil

Description: There will be a presentation of videotaped comments by conference participants made throughout the program and a discussion about what participants would like to see at future IOJT Conferences.

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch and Closing Ceremony

Bonifacio Hall AB

Speakers:

Master of Ceremonies: Ms. Mary Campbell McQueen, President, National Center for State Courts, USA

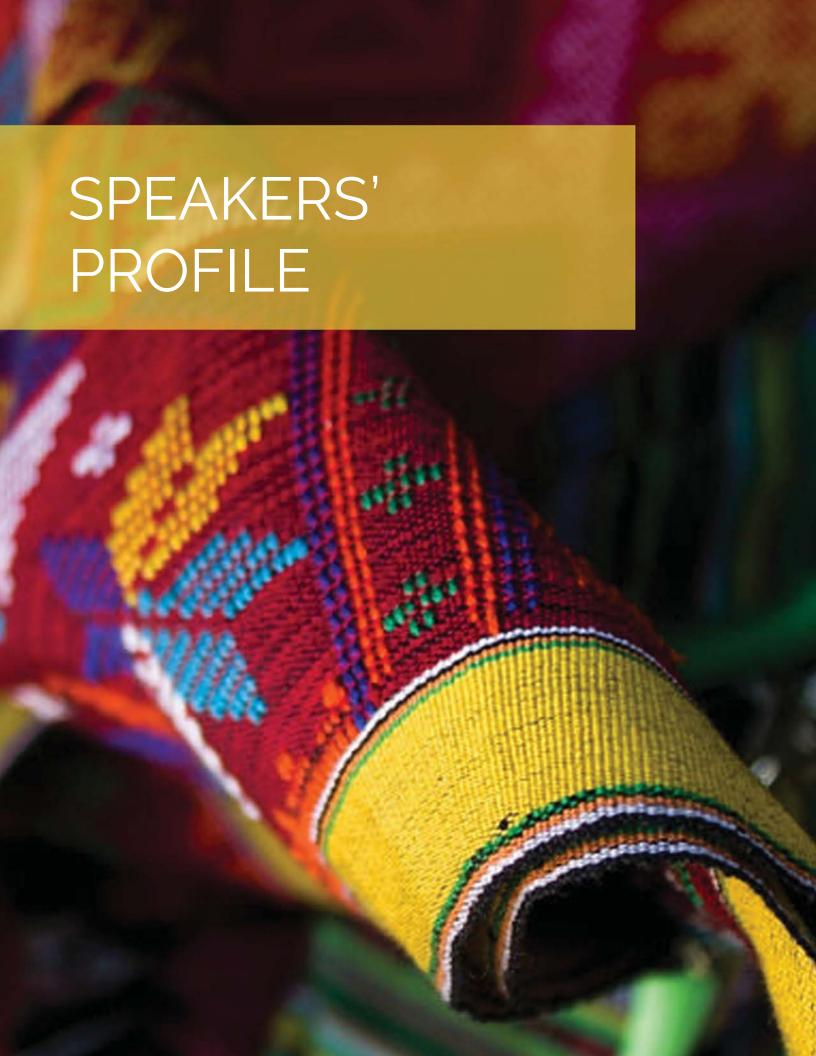
Honorable Eliezer Rivlin

IOJT President,, and Justice (ret.), Supreme Court, Israel

Honorable Adolfo S. Azcuna

PHILJA Chancellor, and Justice (ret.) Supreme Court, Philippines

12:30 p.m. **End of Conference** 



#### PACIFICO A. AGABIN



Dean Agabin finished his basic law course in the University of the Philippines College of Law and his graduate course in Yale University Law School. He started his law practice in 1967 as a labor lawyer and became a law professor at the University of the Philippines College of Law in 1969. He was Dean of the UP College of Law from 1989 up to 1995 and the Lyceum University Law School from 2004 to 2009. After retirement from teaching, he resumed practising law, specializing in constitutional law cases. He currently chairs the Constitutional Law Department of the Philippine Judicial Academy. He has three published books, *Unconstitutional Essays* and *The Political Supreme Court*, both of which have been awarded Book of the Year in Law by the Manila Critic's Circle, and *Mestizo: The Story of the Philippine Legal System*, a textbook in legal history, which has been published internationally by Lambert Academic Publishing based in Saarbrücken, Germany.

#### **SESSION 09**

#### OSWALDO D. AGCAOILI



Justice Agcaoili obtained his Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of Sto. Tomas, where he also took up Music. He also completed a course in Basic Management at the Asian Institute of Management as a government scholar. He started his career as a public servant at the Bureau of Lands where he was chosen outstanding chief of section. He later joined the Office of the Solicitor General where he steadily rose from Solicitor to Assistant Solicitor General, a position he held until his appointment in 1995 to the Court of Appeals. He chaired its 13<sup>th</sup> division until his retirement in 2003. He is a professor at the UST and Bar Reviewer in Political Law and Land Registration. He is also a fellow of the American and International Law, Southwestern Legal Foundation, now Center for American and International Law, Dallas, Texas. He delivered a paper on International Environmental Law and Policy at the 20<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference of the World

Jurists Association in Dublin, Ireland. A member of the Association of Law Professors in the Philippines, he was a Golden Scrollo Awardee for Law and Judiciary, given by the Parangal ng Bayan Awards Foundation. He has authored several books including *Property Registration and Related Laws, Law on Natural Resources and Reviewer in Property Registrations*. He is a full-time Professor II of the PHILJA, and member of the Faculty of the Graduate School of Law of the Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila.

#### **SESSION 22**

#### **SELMA PALACIO ALARAS**



Judge Alaras completed her Bachelor of Laws degree at the San Beda College of Law. She began her law career as a private practitioner specializing in maritime, labor, criminal and corporate banking cases. She commenced government service in August 1992 as Clerk of Court V of Branch 109, Pasay City, then a Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court. She had also served as Legal Officer at the City of Manila and trial prosecutor prior to her appointment as Presiding Judge of the Metropolitan Trial Court of Makati City, Branch 61, in March 1999. Four years later, or in December 2003, she was appointed as the Presiding Judge of the Regional Trial Court of Makati City, Branch 62. She is a Professor at the San Beda College of Law in Mendiola, San Beda School of Law in Alabang, Polytechnic University of the Philippines College of Law, and Perpetual Help College of Law in Las Piñas. She is also a Bar Reviewer of the National Consortium Bar Review Center for FEU,

UE, MLQU and PLM Law Schools. A lecturer for private MCLE providers, she is a member of the Executive Committee of the Philippine Mediation Center Office.

#### **BENES Z. ALDANA**



Mr. Aldana became the ninth president of The National Judicial College on May 1, 2017. Before joining the NJC, he was on active duty in the U.S. Coast Guard for more than 22 years, retiring in the rank of captain and serving as Chief Trial Judge during his last tour of duty. Prior to this assignment, he served as Chief Legal Officer for the 8<sup>th</sup> Coast Guard District in New Orleans. He was first appointed a military trial judge in 2005 and as an appellate judge in 2015. Aldana is also a dedicated bar association leader, serving in many leadership roles of both the Asian Bar Association of Washington and the American Bar Association.

#### **SESSION 04**

#### NERINA CASANDRA N. ANASTACIO-MENDINUETO



Judge Anastacio-Mendinueto graduated from San Beda, College of Law, Mendiola, Manila, in 1999. After passing the 1999 Bar Examinations, she immediately engaged in private practice for almost a year before joining the Office of the Solicitor General as an Associate Solicitor III in 2001. In October 2003, she commenced her service as a Court Attorney in the Office of Supreme Court Justice Dante O. Tinga until she transferred the following year to the Court of Appeals, Office of Justice Magdangal M. De Leon. In March 2012, she was appointed as the Presiding Judge of the Metropolitan Trial Court of Manila, Branch 22, and in 2015, she was also designated as an Assisting Court Judge of the Metropolitan Trial Court of Quezon City, Branch 31. She was awarded as one of the 2015 Outstanding Metropolitan Trial Court Judges of Manila and named as one of the finalists for the 2015 Judicial Excellence Award by the Society for Judicial Excellence.

She has been a law professor in San Beda College, School of Law, Alabang, Muntinlupa City, since 2007 teaching Statutory Construction, Insurance Law and Criminal Law II.

#### **SESSION 16**

#### **BRENDA JAY C. ANGELES-MENDOZA**



Attorney Mendoza is the Chief of Office for the Philippine Mediation Center (PMC), which is under the direction and management of the Philippine Judicial Academy (PHILJA). Prior to her appointment to the PMC in October 2016, she was an environmental law specialist (consultant) at the Asian Development Bank's Office of the General Counsel where she worked on the project Building Capacity for Environmental Prosecution, Adjudication, Dispute Resolution, Compliance, and Enforcement in Asia. In 2009, she was the Canadian International Development Agency's consultant seconded to PHILJA where she mentored PMC staff and facilitated training programs on judicial dispute resolution. From 2000 to 2008, she worked with The Asia Foundation's Legal Accountability and Dispute Resolution, Human Rights, and Conflict Management programs. From 1996 to 1998, she co-directed a government-NGO initiative on the use of mediation in environment and

natural resources conflicts through training and actual mediation of disputes. She also wrote the guidebook on mediation for the Office of the Ombudsman. She has lectured on varied Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) topics, including in mandatory continuing legal education programs of the UP Law Center and CD Asia's Good Lawyer series, as well as in PHILJA's pre-judicature and mediation training programs. A member of PHILJA's Corps of Professorial Lecturers, she teaches at the De La Salle University College of Law and at the University of the Philippines Geodetic Engineering Department. She is vice president of the Mediators' Network for Sustainable Peace (MedNet) and contributes to The Mediator, MedNet's official magazine. She holds a Master in Public Administration from the Lee Kwan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore, and a Bachelor of Laws and B.A. in Philosophy (cum laude) from the University of the Philippines. She has also attended certificate programs on Environmental Law (Asia Pacific Center for Environmental, NUS) and Alternative Dispute Resolution (Colorado Dispute Resolution Center, Boulder, USA).

#### **JEFFREY A. APPERSON**



Mr. Apperson is a court management professional dedicated to the effective administration of justice nationally and internationally, a lifetime goal that is reflected in his career. He has worked actively on behalf of citizens of the United States and the World to promote and enhance access to forums that would protect the vulnerable, provide conflict resolution with dignity and fairness, and facilitate equal protection under the law. He served as the Clerk of the United States Bankruptcy and District Courts for the Western District of Kentucky for 27 years. He also served as an attorney advisor to the US Courts, as a member of the Inspector General's Office and as Chief of Court Management for the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia. He has held the position of Vice President for International Relations of the National Center for State Courts since January 2011. In this role, he has overseen

the management of the US Rule of Law projects for Bangladesh, Iraq, Serbia, Kosovo, South Africa, Honduras, Columbia, Uganda, Nigeria, Belize, Guatemala, Panama, the Caribbean Basin, and Egypt. He has travelled to over 60 countries in various capacities, giving speeches on rule of law topics in the Supreme Courts of Pakistan, Indonesia, Brazil, the Caribbean Court of Justice and the International Court of Justice in The Hague, among others. He co-founded and served as president and CEO of the International Association for Court Administration (IACA). During his service with IACA, he managed nine international conferences dedicated to improving court management, access to justice and institutional transparency in Slovenia, Ireland, Italy, Turkey, Trinidad, Indonesia, the UAE, The Hague, and Argentina, and helped in the establishment of the International Journal for Court Administration. He graduated from Samford University Law School and was a member of the Alabama Bar Association and United States Supreme Court Bar.

#### **SESSION 12**

#### **EMERSON B. AQUENDE**



Mr. Aquende is the Chairman of the Legal Education Board (LEB), the agency which administers the legal education system in the Philippines. He is lecturer in the College of Law of the University of the Philippines and in the Mandatory Continuing Legal Education. He also sits in the board of directors of the United Coconut Planters Life Assurance Co., Inc.

His involvement in legal education started when he was appointed at the age of 29 as the College of Law Dean of the Aquinas University (now the University of Santo Tomas - Legazpi), a position he held from the years 2000 to 2014. He also served concurrently as the Vice President for the Professional Schools of the same university from 2009 to 2014. While a dean, he was active in the Philippine Association of Law Schools and held various senior positions, the last of which was Executive Vice President in 2014. He was

President of the Forbes Academy and Executive Vice President of the Forbes College from 2014 until he joined government service in 2016. He finished his Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of the Philippines in 1995 and was admitted to the Philippine Bar the year after. He previously engaged in private practice and was managing partner of the Aquende Ralla and Associates Law Offices based in Legazpi City. When he recently ended his two-year term as Bicolandia Region Governor of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP), he had served as Deputy Governor and Albay Chapter President from 2013 to 2015.

#### **SESSION 06**

#### **RANHILIO C. AQUINO**



Fr. Rannie did his Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy degree at the Faculty of Arts and Letters, University of Santo Tomas, graduating in 1978 summa cum laude. He went on to do a Master of Arts in Philosophy degree at the same university, completing it in 1981, summa cum laude. One year later, he was ordained a priest of the Archdiocese of Tuguegarao. He completed his Doctor of Philosophy degree major in Philosophy in 1988, summa cum laude, with a doctoral dissertation on human knowledge. At Columbia Pacific University (San Rafael, California), he completed his Doctor of Jurisprudence degree major in International Law in 1993. Since then, he has been a professor of law at the Cagayan Colleges Tuguegarao, College of Law. He is likewise professor of philosophy at the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Santo Tomas, and was recently appointed Dean of the Graduate School of Law, San Beda College. In the Winter Term of 1993, he was

admitted as a Research Fellow at the Catholic University of Louvain (Katholieke Universiteit Leuven) in Belgium.

Joining the Philippine Judicial Academy of the Supreme Court in 1998, he became a Fellow of the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia. In 2001, the Supreme Court sent him to the Federal Court of Australia as part of a team of Filipino jurists led by Mr. Justice Jose Vitug who completed a course on Commercial Law. In August of 2003, he did studies in Philosophy at Cambridge University, England. He has authored books both in philosophy and in law. In philosophy, he wrote: *A Philosophy of Education; A Philosophy of Law;* and *Man at Worship: A Philosophy of Religion*. In law, he authored *Peace on Earth: Issues in Public International Law; Intellectual Property Law: Comments and Annotations*, now on its second edition; and *Private International Law.* He has also annotated for Supreme Court Reports Annotated and is a regular contributor to The Lawyers' Review. Among his lecture tours in philosophy were for the Taniguchi Foundation of Japan on Eco-Ethica. He did research on liturgy and canon law at the University of Navarra in Pamplona, Spain. He argued at a Demonstration Trial in Dublin, Republic of Ireland, for the World Conference of Jurists in 2001 on an issue of international environmental law, where he also read a paper in jurisprudence. Aside from heading the Academic Affairs Office, he chairs the Department of Jurisprudence and Legal Philosophy of the Philippine Judicial Academy, and lectures for the MCLF, Program of the UP Institute of Judicial Administration (UP Law Complex). He is Parish Priest of St. Rose of Lima Parish.

#### **SESSION 15**

#### **MELFLOR A. ATIENZA**



Dr. Atienza is a full-time Professor of the University of the Philippines Manila under the National Teacher Training Center for the Health Professions, where she serves as Chair of the Office of Extension and Continuing Education. She is a faculty member of the UP College of Medicine and lecturer of the Philippine Judicial Academy (PHILJA). She obtained her Medical Degree and Master's Degree in Health Professions Education from the UP College of Medicine and NTTCHP, respectively. She went on to specialize in Internal Medicine and Gastroenterology at the Philippine General Hospital. A practicing internist and gastroenterologist at PGH, she is a fellow of the Philippine College of Physicians, Philippine Society of Gastroenterology and Philippine Society of Digestive Endoscopy, and member of the Philippine Society of Hepatology. She was a member of the Accreditation Committee of the Philippine College of Physicians and Committee

on Training of the Philippine Society of Gastroenterology. Currently, she is a member of the Committees of Continuing Medical Education and Faculty Development of the Association of Philippine Medical Colleges. She conducts workshops on outcome-based education, instructional design and evaluation. She has served as resource person and facilitator in several training programs on gender sensitivity and women and children abuse that were conducted by PHILJA and the Department of Health. She is a co-author of *Teaching and Learning in the Health Sciences*, the first book on health professions education in the country, and is one of the editors of the e-UPEC, the Undergraduate Medical Curriculum for the Philippine Pediatric Society. She has been given by the UP Manila the Gawad Chancellor Award for Outstanding Teacher in 2006 and 2012 in recognition of her dedication to teaching and the innovations she uses in her classes to improve her craft.

**OPENING CEREMONY** 

**SESSION 03** 

**SESSION 05** 

**CLOSING CEREMONY** 



#### ADOLFO S. AZCUNA

Justice Adolfo S. Azcuna received the degree of Bachelor of Arts, with academic honors, at the Ateneo de Manila in 1959 and the degree of Bachelor of Laws, *cum laude*, at the same institution in 1962. He was admitted to the Philippine Bar in 1963, placing 4<sup>th</sup> in the 1962 bar examinations.

Representing Zamboanga Del Norte, he was elected as member of the 1971 Constitutional Convention. Subsequently, he was appointed as a member of the 1986 Constitutional Commission. He held several government posts during the term of President Corazon C. Aquino, first as Presidential Legal Counsel, then as Press Secretary and subsequently as Presidential Spokesperson.

On October 17, 2002, Justice Azcuna was appointed Associate Justice of the Supreme Court by President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo. He retired from the Supreme Court on February 16, 2009 and was subsequently appointed as Chancellor of the Philippine Judicial Academy, a post he currently holds.

In 2013, the Junior Chamber International (JCI) Senate Philippines and the Insular Life Assurance Co., Ltd. conferred to Justice Azcuna *The Outstanding Filipino (TOFIL) Award for 2012* in the field of Justice/Law.

The International Commission of Jurists (ICJ) has elected Justice Azcuna as one of its five new commissioners for a term of five years from August 12, 2014 to August 11, 2019. The ICJ is dedicated to ensuring respect for international human rights standards through the law. Commissioners are known for their experience, knowledge and fundamental commitment to human rights [http://www.icj.org].

The Ateneo de Manila University on its 2016 Traditional University Awards conferred to Justice Azcuna the highest award, the Lux-in-Domino Award. The *Lux-in-*domino Award is a capstone award that requires the crowning achievement of both life and work, given to an extraordinary individual who has incarnated in life, and perhaps even in death, in an outstanding and exemplary manner, the noblest ideals of the Ateneo de Manila University.

#### **PLENARY 01**

#### **WORKSHOP 1**

#### **SESSION 14**



#### **AMADY BA**

Justice Amady Ba (Senegalese "Hors Hierarchie Judge") has worked at the International Criminal Court (ICC) since March 2008, on secondment from the Judiciary High Council for Judges. As Head of the International Cooperation at the Office of the Prosecutor, he is responsible for developing the ICC network and judicial cooperation with States, the UN, international and regional organizations, judiciary institutions, civil society and academic community. He graduated from the Law University of Dakar in 1983 and qualified as a Judge in 1985. He completed his training at the French National School for Judges, contributing towards strong links between France and Senegal. Serving as education chair at the Judicial Training Centre of Dakar (National Judge School of

Senegal), he became Director in 1997. He provided extensive judicial training at both national and international levels, and promoted technical and financial partnerships between African and Western countries. In 2002, he was appointed to the International Development and Law Organization (IDLO) in Rome. While implementing Projects to reinforce Justice, Rule of Law and Good Governance in developing countries, he became the Head of the French department and promoted the actions of the IDLO. Since the beginning of his career, he has always been active in judicial education and judicial and international cooperation.

#### **SESSION 04**

#### **SESSION 09**



#### DAPHNA BLATMAN-KEDRAI

Judge Daphna Blatman-Kedrai is an Appellate Court Judge at the Israeli Central District Court. As President of the Central District Magistrates' Courts (2009–2015) and board member of the Israeli Institute of Advanced Judicial Studies (IAJS), she led the design and implementation of the project described as Peer Consultation Group as a Judicial Training Model. She is a graduate of the Law Faculty at the Hebrew University, Jerusalem. She has served as a judge since 1998.

**SESSION 09** 

**SESSION 11** 

**SESSION 15** 



#### **WILLIAM JEFFREY BRUNSON**

Mr. Brunson is the director of special projects for The National Judicial College (NJC), and as such, he is responsible for business development, conducting faculty development workshops, managing international programs, and overseeing numerous grant projects primarily related to the curriculum development for judges. Prior to this position, he served as the NJC academic director for more than three years and assistant academic director for more than four years. He also served as program attorney for four years and program coordinator under a Bureau of Justice Assistance grant. He received a bachelor's degree from the University of Nevada and a juris doctorate from the Willamette

University College of Law. While in law school, he worked as an associate editor on the Willamette Law Review. A member of the Nevada State Bar, he was in private practice before joining the NJC faculty in 1997. In 1999, he was presented with the President's Special Service Award by the National Association of State Judicial Educators (NASJE). He served as NASJE president in 2004-2005 and has continued his involvement in the association. A coauthor and co-editor of numerous curricula and publications, he has educated the faculty, both nationally and internationally, on adult education principles and practice and curriculum development.

#### **SESSION 08**

#### SEDFREY M. CANDELARIA

Professor Sedfrey M. Candelaria is currently the Dean of the Ateneo de Manila University School of Law.



He also heads the Research, Publications and Linkages Office of the Philippine Judicial Academy, chairs its Department of Special Areas of Concern, and is a member of its Corps of Professors. He is a Fellow of the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute in Dalhousie University, Halifax, Canada, a member of the Mandatory Continuing Legal Education Governing Board, and the Supreme Court Committee on Continuing Legal Education and Bar Matters.

Dean Candelaria obtained his Master of Laws degree from the University of British Columbia and his Bachelor of Laws degree from the Ateneo Law School. He has a Diplomate in Juridical Science, conferred by the San Beda Graduate School of Law.

He was the 2010 Bar examiner in Political and Public International Law.

Dean Candelaria was actively involved in some celebrated test cases before the Supreme Court, notably the Asia-Pacific Conference on East Timor, Davide Impeachment, IPRA and the GRP-MILF MOA-AD.

He has authored articles on constitutional law, law and economic development, judicial education, peace process, human rights, and international law. He has edited and conducted researches for UNICEF, ILO, UNHCR, UNDP and APEC Study Center.

#### **PLENARY 1**

#### **WORKSHOP 03**

#### **SESSION 01**



#### **BENOÎT CHAMOUARD**

After legal studies and having graduated from the French National School for the Judiciary, Mr. Benoît Chamouard was appointed as a prosecutor in 2004. He worked as a prosecutor in two different regional courts, before being appointed as a judge in the regional court of Nanterre (western part of Paris). As a judge, he specialised in civil matters, especially in intellectual property and media law cases.

He was seconded in the French National for the judiciary (ENM) in 2013, as an international project manager, before being promoted as head of the international department of

the institution in 2016. In this position, he specialised in international projects aiming at strengthening judicial training institutes in other countries. He represents the ENM in the steering committee of EJTN and of the Euro-Arab judicial training network. He is a member of the board of directors of IOJT.

#### **PLENARY 01**

#### **WORKSHOP 03**



#### CHRISTA MARIE CHRISTENSEN

Ms. Christensen is the Director of Training (Tribunals) for the Judicial College in London. Her early professional life involved practice as a solicitor in Bristol and lecturing at the University of Bristol and the University of the West England. She was appointed as a fee-paid judge in 1995 and continued her private practice and academic work until her appointment as a salaried Employment Judge in 2003. She has been involved in training members of the judiciary since 2008 and is a regular presenter at the European Law Academy in Trier on programmes involving training of the EU judiciary. In July 2016, she was seconded to the Judicial College to be the Director of Training for Tribunals, a fixed

term appointment after which she will return to her role as a judge. The Judicial College is responsible for the induction and continuation of training for all judges in England & Wales and some judges in Scotland. She works with teams of judges who devise and deliver training supported by the staff in the Judicial College. As Director of Training, she is a member of the Judicial College International Committee which considers how the Judiciary of England & Wales can assist in the development of judiciary in other countries. Most recently, she has been involved in a project in Pakistan funded by the Rule of Law Programme which was aimed at assisting the Punjab Judicial Academy to develop some of their training programmes. She is a member of the IOJT working group that has developed the Draft International Principles of Judicial Training, which is under consideration in this Conference.

#### **SESSION 18**





Mr. Cienfuegos has a Law degree from the Panamerican University, Master of Law from the University of Rome in Italy, and PhD on Law from the Panamerican University. He is currently the Director of the Judicial Electoral Training Center of the Electoral Federal Court of Mexico, where he has held other positions. He has been a professor of the Faculty of Law of the Panamerican University since 1994, both degree and doctorate program in investigation, and for which teaching work, he received the medal of *Alfonso X the Wise*. He has been invited as professor of the University of Cadiz in Spain, the University of Pisa in Italy, the Ludwig-Maximilian University in Munich, Germany, and the Universidad de Oriente in Santiago de Cuba. He is author of several works published in Mexico and abroad, and has been distinguished as a national researcher, attached to the National System of Researchers of the National Council of Science and Technology, CONACYT, since 2009 to date.

#### **SESSION 17**

#### **BARRY CLARKE**



Mr. Clarke is the Regional Employment Judge for Wales and Deputy Chairman of the Central Arbitration Committee. In addition to deciding cases involving workplace disputes about pay, whistleblowing, dismissal, discrimination and trade union recognition, he leads a team of 17 judges and 50 non-legal members. He is the lead judge responsible for the training of all judges and members of the Employment Tribunal in England and Wales. Prior to taking up his current role, he sat as judge in both the Employment Tribunal and the Asylum & Immigration Tribunal, and was a solicitor in private practice for 14 years. He has been a partner in a national law firm, ACAS arbitrator, trustee of a law centre, member of the statutory Wales Committee for the Commission for Equality and Human Rights, and (between 2006 and 2008) national chairman of the Employment Lawyers' Association. He has edited a book entitled *Challenging Racism*. Having an

interest in computing and IT, he has spoken on judicial internet security and the developing world of social media (including related issues about judicial ethics) to judges in many different jurisdictions in the UK, and he has been invited as speaker on related subjects to conferences in Scotland, Ireland, Tanzania and Guyana. He studied at the Manchester University (first class degree in history, Bradford scholar and T F Tout prizeman), the London School of Economics (master's degree in political science with distinction) and the College of Law. More recently, he studied mathematics and computing through the Open University.



#### MAGDANGAL M. DE LEON

Justice De Leon obtained his Foreign Service and Bachelor of Laws degrees from the University of the Philippines. He had served as Assistant Solicitor General prior to his appointment in 2004 as Associate Justice of the Court Appeals where he is now the Chairperson of the Fifth Division. He is a remedial law professor and bar reviewer at the Ateneo Law School and other law schools. He is the Chairperson of the Philippine Judicial Academy (PHILJA) Remedial Law Department and the PHILJA Committee on the new Benchbook for Philippine Trial Courts. He is a member of the Supreme Court Sub-Committee on the Revision of the Rules on Civil Procedure and Special Committee on Continuous Trial in Criminal Cases. In the international scene, he was a member of the International Consultants Group, Rules and Principles of Transnational Civil Procedure, sponsored by the American Law Institute. He was a bar examiner for Labor Law in 2016 and Remedial Law in 2009, and is the author of two law books, *Appellate Remedies and Special Proceedings, Essentials for Bench and Bar.* 

#### **SESSION 12**



#### MA. SOLEDAD DERIQUITO-MAWIS

Dean Deriquito-Mawis is the Dean of the College of Law of the Lyceum of the Philippines University (Makati and Cavite campuses). As the current President of the Philippine Association of Law Schools, she is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Philippine Judicial Academy. She teaches Civil Procedure, Evidence, Persons and Family Relations at the College of Law of the Lyceum of the Philippines, University of the Philippines and De La Salle University. She is also a Mandatory Continuing Legal Education speaker on Gender Sensitivity, Substantive Law: Remedial Law, Substantive Law: Persons and Family Relations, and Provisional Remedies in Family Law and VAWC Cases. A founding partner of the Gatchalian Castro & Mawis Law Office, she handles criminal and civil litigation, most particularly involving family law. She is a regular resource person in the daily program of Radio Veritas, *Pamilya Mo, Pamilya Ko* and has been invited to speak on various topics

such as the Legacy of Justice Jose P. Laurel, as a member of the High Court, the Legal Responsibilities of the Counselor as a Professional, on the MCQs Bar Format, and on Republic Act No. 9262. She was, on a number of occasions, requested to render an expert opinion before foreign tribunals involving a family law matter and was likewise requested by various radio and television networks to render opinion on pressing legal issues. A member of the technical working group for the revision of the 1997 Rules on Civil Procedure, she co-authored, together with Professors Katrina Legarda and Falor Vargas, a book on Family Law. She graduated cum laude from her preparatory law course and ranked 15<sup>th</sup> in her law class, both of which were taken at the University of the Philippines.

#### **SESSION 21**



#### JOSE JESUS M. DISINI, JR.

Professor Disini received his Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) degree from the University of the Philippines in 1993, graduating fifth in his class. He was admitted into the Philippine Bar in 1994 after placing seventh in the Bar Examinations. He received his Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree from Harvard Law School in 2004, and has since been a council member of the Harvard Law School Alumni Association of the Philippines. In June 2000, he joined the UP Law Faculty, where he has taught various commercial and civil law subjects including Obligations and Contracts, Torts & Damages, Negotiable Instruments Law (Bills and Notes), Credit Transactions, Negotiation & Mediation Workshop, Advanced Topics in Commercial Law, Advanced Issues in Intellectual Property and Cyberspace Law. He was previously the director of the Institute of Government and Law Reform (IGLR) at the UP Law Center where he supervised projects on various public policy issues and legislative

initiatives. He is the founder and director of the UP Law Internet and Society Program. He is also a managing partner at the Disini & Disini Law Office where he specializes in corporate practice and handles complex projects such as financing transactions for power projects, mergers and acquisitions, banking, real estate, entertainment, and intellectual property. He represents local and foreign clients in corporate, project finance, securities, foreign investment, technology, telecommunications, Internet and e-Commerce projects. He was actively involved in the efforts for the passage of the e-Commerce Act (Republic Act No. 8792). Thereafter, he became the Principal Drafter of the Implementing Rules & Regulations for the E-Commerce Act and a Co-Drafter of the Rules on Electronic Evidence.

#### PLENARY 02

#### FERNANDO CERQUEIRA NORBERTO DOS SANTOS



Justice Fernando Cerqueira Norberto Dos Santos has been a career judge since October 1982, and was promoted to the Court of Justice of Pernambuco (Supreme Court of State) in July 2005. He was Professor and International Coordinator for postgraduate courses of the Superior College of Magistrates (ESMAPE), in addition to being the Director General of ESMAPE and the General Directorate of the Judicial School of Pernambuco-EJUD-PE. He was also coordinator of the Brazilian Commission of the VII World Conference of the IOJT in Porto de Galinhas, Pernambuco, Brazil, and Secretary General of the National Judicial College for the Improvement of Brazilian Judges - ENFAM, apart from being Trainer of Trainers ENFAM (National Judicial College for the Improvement of Brazilian Judges). He coordinates the Judicial Improvement Program with Mendoza University and the Mendoza-Argentina SAENS PENA JUDICIAL Improvement Center, as well as the

Human Rights Training Program for Brazilian Magistrates with UNICRI, the Judicial Training Unit of the United Nations in Turin, Italy, and the Judicial Training for Judges Program at the International Center and the Law School and the Georgia State Supreme Court. He has been a member of the International Programs Council of the University of Georgia and Visiting Professor. He holds a degree in Public Law from the Superior College of the Judiciary of Pernambuco and a post-graduate degree from the Universities of Texas, Fordham New York and Stanford.

#### **SESSION 14**

#### **UNA MARIE DOYLE**



A lawyer, Ms. Doyle holds the position of Director of Education at the Judicial Commission of New South Wales, and as such, she is responsible for the Commissions's judicial education and publishing programme. Previously, she was Head of Professional Development, Membership & Communications at the Law Society of New South Wales, responsible for the continuous development, improvement and implementation of continuing professional development programs and services for the legal profession. She also held the position of Director of Continuing Professional Education at the College of Law and president of the International Association for Continuing Legal Education (ACLEA), and co-chaired ACLEA's International Committee from 2007–2009. She was President of the Continuing Legal Education Association of Australasia (CLEAA, being the Asia-Pacific equivalent of ACLEA) from 2005–2007. She has served as member of CLEAA

Executive for five terms and has joined the CLEAA Executive again this year. She has worked for over 20 years in legal education, both pre and post admission. She maintains a keen interest in the development of legal education worldwide and among other qualifications, she holds a Master of International Law.

#### **SESSION 04**

#### **SARAH DUPONT**



Ms. Dupont has been the Deputy Director in charge of internship at the French National School for the Judiciary (ENM), France, since September 2015. Previously, she was a lecturer for ENM, assistant prosecutor and then deputy prosecutor in Strasbourg, and assistant prosecutor in Metz. A trainee judge/prosecutor at ENM, she studied at the University of Law and Institute for Political Sciences, both in Bordeaux. She speaks French, English and German. Her missions abroad included the AIAKOS programme (EJTN) in Spain (2010), Netherlands (2011), Finland (2012) and Austria (2014), and the Training for Trainers: Brazilian Federal School for Prosecutors, Barzil, in May 2015. She participated in a project providing support to the Abu Dhabi Judicial Institute in 2016, and produced the publication: *Guilty Plea in Anglo-Saxon and Romano-Germanic Legal Systems*.

#### **SESSION 19**



#### **MERETHE ECKHARDT**

Ms. Eckhardt is the Director of Development at the Danish Court Administration and member of Governing Board at Academy of European Law (ERA). As member of the executive committee and governing board, she has substantial experience in executive management, leading people through change and facilitating and enabling business strategy. She started her career as a media-law attorney and continued her career at the Danish Broadcasting Cooperation (DR) as in-house attorney. She later progressed to Head of Strategy and Projects and Vice Director of DRMedia. She has held the position of chairman in various governing boards and advisory boards in the media industry.

#### **SESSION 08**

#### **ELMER DG. ELERIA**



Atty. Eleria is currently the PHILJA Chief of Office for Administration. At one time, he was designated as the Acting Head of the Academic Affairs Office and the Concurrent Head of the Administrative Office. He obtained his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Bachelor of Laws from Saint Louis University in Baguio City (Philippines). He likewise completed a certificate course on Learning Design and Evaluation in the Research and Development of the Ateneo De Manila University Center for Organization. Given the recognition as the 2014 PHILJA Employee of the Year, he has been involved in PHILJA Committees, such as the Supreme Court Data Reconciliation Committee, PHILJA Management Committee, PHILJA Training Center Executive Committee and Benchbook Revision Committee. He has likewise been assigned to represent PHILJA in the Supreme Court Procurement Planning Committee and Selection and Promotion Board meetings,

and to act as team leader and moderator in various training programs of the Academy. On February 28 to March 3, 2017, he attended as one of the five PHILJA delegates the International Exchange Program at the Federal Judicial Center (FJC), Washington D.C. and National Center For State Courts (NCSC), Virginia, USA. He is a Guest Professorial Lecturer of the De La Salle University Dasmariñas where he teaches Philippine Constitution and Government, Political Science and various Business Laws.

#### **SESSION 10**

#### JOHN P. ERLICK



Judge Erlick was first elected to the King County Superior Court in September 2000 and is currently on the Superior Court's Executive Committee. He previously served as Chief Civil Judge for King County Superior Court and now presides over principally civil cases. A member of the Judicial and Executive Committee of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct, he is President Emeritus of the William L. Dwyer Inn of Court and member of the Superior Court Judges' Association (SCJA) Education Committee. He served as chair of the SCJA Ethics Committee from 2005–2014 and was the Dean of the Washington State Judicial College in 2014–15. Since 2007, he has been an adjunct professor in professional responsibility and the judicial externship program at Seattle University School of Law, where he received the Outstanding Adjunct Faculty Award in 2011. He has served as a Visiting Professor at the Far Eastern Federal University in Vladivostok,

Russia, and at the University of Szczecin Law School in Szczecin, Poland, and is a member of the Academic Committee of the International Organization for Judicial Training (IOJT). He has also been involved as a coach and instructor in countless mock trial and moot court competitions. In addition to having authored numerous articles on professionalism and ethics, he has also lectured on these and other topics at judicial conferences, bar association meetings, and law schools, and is the consulting editor for Washington Trial and Post-Trial Civil Procedure (Lexis-Nexis). He was previously the SCJA appointee to the State's Ethics Advisory Committee and the 2004 judicial co-chair of the King County Bench-Bar Conference. He also served as the chair of the King County Superior Court Ex Parte and Probate Committee, and on the Jury Committee, Governance Committee and King County Bench/Bar Efficiencies Task Force. Prior to his election in 2000, he was in private practice, concentrating on defense of professional liability cases. He graduated from Harvard College in Cambridge, Massachusetts, with honors and from the Georgetown University Law Center with honors. He is a graduate of the National Judicial College general jurisdiction program and the Center for International Legal Studies in Salzburg, Austria.

#### RAINELDA H. ESTACIO-MONTESA



Judge Montesa joined the judiciary in 2002, starting as Branch Clerk of Court from 2002 to 2006, then as Municipal Trial Court Judge in 2006 until her promotion in 2012 as Regional Trial Court Judge of Manila, Branch 46. She has five years of experience in handling commercial court cases and deep expertise in developing policies in the implementation of cybercrime law in coordination with the Department of Justice Office of Cybercrime and the Philippine Judicial Academy (PHILJA). She received extensive training on cybercrime and electronic evidence and trained magistrates, judges and justices locally and abroad as part of the Council of Europe-Global Action on Cybercrime Prevention Project (GLACY Project), as well as participated in the World Intellectual Property Office's Training Course on the Enforcement of the Intellectual Property Rights. A member of the PHILJA Corps of Professors, she is a trainor and

lecturer to various symposia and colloquia on cybercrime and intellectual property rights, perennial speaker and workshop trainer in workshops on Intellectual Property spearheaded by the US Embassy- Homeland Security Investigations. She is an exchange visitor, International Visitor Leadership Program on women sponsored by the US Embassy, and member of the Technical Working Group that drafted the Rules on Cybercrime Warrants and Related Issuances.

#### **SESSION 08**

#### RICHARD WALTER FEE



Dr. Fee is the Judicial Educator for the US Territory of Guam with responsibility for directing the Judicial Education Center, a center that serves Guam and the islands of Micronesia. His primary academic background is in education where he served as a teacher, principal and associate superintendent in the USA, Hong Kong and Australia. For almost 20 years, he was an associate professor of education before joining the Judiciary of Guam as the first full-time Judicial Educator. He has expertise in curriculum development and professional training. He holds a BA from the University of Oklahoma, M.Ed. from the University of Canberra (Australia), M.A. from California State University, and an Ed.S. and Ph.D. from the University of Idaho. He held a Fulbright award to assist the University of Santo Tomas. At present, he consults with the University of the Philippines-Manila (PGH).

#### **SESSION 17**

#### **MYRNA S. FELICIANO**



Professor Feliciano is a consultant to the Supreme Court of the Philippines with designation as Executive Director of the Mandatory Continuing Legal Education Office. Currently, she chairs the Legal Method and Research Department and holds the rank of Professor at the Philippine Judicial Academy. She is also a professorial lecturer at the University of the Philippines College of Law and sits as member of the Supreme Court Revision of the Rules Sub-Committee on Family Courts. She received her B.S.L.S. and LL.B. degrees from the University of the Philippines in 1957 and 1973, respectively. She completed her Master of Law Librarianship from the University of Washington in 1965 and Master of Laws degree from the Harvard University in 1980. As a former Commissioner of the National Commission on the Role of Filipino Women, she participated in the UN Preparatory Conference in New York in March 1995, the

Fourth World Conference on Women, Beijing, China, September 4–15, 1995, and was part of the delegation that drafted the Optional Protocol to the UN Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, New York, 1999–2000. She is a consultant to many government and international agencies, among which include the Asian Development Bank, World Bank, European Commission, UNICEF, UNDP, USAID, Asia Foundation, ABA-ROLI and AusAid.

She authored and co-authored numerous publications, such as Gender Sensitivity in the Court System (2002); Gender Sensitivity and the Family Courts (2005); Environmental Law in the Philippines (1993); The Legal System of the Philippines (1995); Environmental Law – Philippines (2005); Human Rights and Women with Emphasis on International Conventions and Philippine Law (1998); Judicial System of Asian Countries as Applied to Children, Straitening Judicial Protection of Children (2002); Overview of International Instruments Affecting the Environment (1994) and Ethics, Integrity and Judicial Accountability – The Philippine Experience (2009).

#### MA. CORAZON B. GAITE-LLANDERAL



Judge Gaite-Llanderal joined the Judiciary in 2010 as Presiding Judge of the Regional Trial Court, Branch 40, for Misamis Oriental and Cagayan de Oro City (Philippines). Her immediate previous work experience was as prosecutor (State and City prosecutor) for eight years under the Department of Justice. As a prosecutor, she had substantial trial court experience as the assigned prosecutor in a Family Court (RTC Branch 19 of Cagayan de Oro City). Her professional background before she joined the prosecution service is a varied mix of public interest lawyering, in which she did litigation, policy research, advocacy, and training, with and among traditionally marginalized sectors, such as refugees and asylum-seekers (Jesuit Refugee Services for Asia and the Pacific and Refugee Services Philippines, Inc.), peasants/farmers (Kaisahan, Inc.), barangay-based paralegals and Barangay Development Councils (Balay Mindanaw Foundation, Inc.), and migrant workers (Kanlungan Center for Migrant Workers). She has done teaching work (Xavier University College

of Law and Ateneo de Naga College) and university research (Institute of Human Rights and Institute of International Legal Studies, both of the University of the Philippines College of Law). She has also done secretariat work in the peace process between the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Communist Party of the Philippines/National Democratic Front/New People's Army (under the Office of the Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process). She credits her multifarious work experience to the formative years she has spent as a college student at the Ateneo de Manila University (A.B. Communication Arts), her membership with the Jesuit Volunteers Philippines, Inc. and her extra-curricular involvement with the UP Paralegal Volunteer Organization as a student of the College of Law, University of the Philippines.

#### **PLENARY 01**

#### WORKSHOP 01

#### **SESSION 01**



#### **LEONEL GONZÁLEZ**

Mr. Gonzalez is an Argentine criminal law attorney with a degree from the Universidad de Buenos Aires Law School (Argentina). He completed the Latin American Certificate Program on Criminal Procedure Reform at the Universidad Diego Portales Law School (Chile). He is pursuing a Master's degree in Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure at the Osgoode Hall Law School, York University (Canada). Currently, he is the Director of the Training Area at the Justice Studies Center of the Americas (JSCA), an international agency of the Organization of American States (OAS) created in 1999 by resolution of the OAS General Assembly with headquarter in Santiago de Chile. In 2014, he served as consultant on the evaluation of the implementation of the adversarial criminal justice

system in Panama with the regional section of the UN Office on Drugs and Crime, and on the evaluation of the impact of the management model of the public prosecutor's office of Guatemala with Open Society Justice Initiative. In 2016, he served as consultant on the evaluation of criminal procedure reform in Chile 10 years after its nationwide implementation executed by the JSCA with funding from the Ministry of Justice of Chile, and on the technical assistance project for the implementation of the criminal procedure code in Uruguay financed by the Ministry of Interior of Uruguay and executed by the JSCA. In 2017, he served as leader of the project on pretrial detention in Bolivia financed by the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) and executed by the JSCA, among other projects. He has offered training programs and participated as a speaker in a wide range of seminars, workshops and conferences in the United States, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Colombia, Guatemala, Panama, Peru, Brazil, Bolivia, Chile, Uruguay and Argentina.

#### SHERIDAN GREENLAND

#### **PLENARY 02**



Ms. Sheridan Greenland, OBE, is currently Executive Director for the Judicial College. She supports the Lord Chief Justice, Senior President of Tribunals and Chief Coroner in their statutory judicial training responsibilities for judiciary in England and Wales and for some tribunals in Scotland and Northern Ireland. She is Deputy Secretary General for the International Organisation for Judicial Training and an international expert and evaluator for GRECO (Group of States Against Corruption). Her career roles range from courtroom legal advice, to large scale operational administration, policy work, international evaluations and change management.

Having qualified as a barrister, Sheridan entered the Magistrates' Courts Service in 1984 initially as a legal adviser. By 1998 she acted as Clerk to the Justices. In 1999, she was appointed Justices' Chief Executive in Surrey and received an OBE for services to the Magistrates' Courts Service. In 2005, she was appointed Area Director for family work across London, subsequently undertaking family policy roles within the Ministry of Justice. In 2009, she was appointed Head of the Office for Judicial Complaints and in 2011, she became Executive Director of the Judicial College.

#### **GEORGINA D. HIDALGO**



Judge Hidalgo has been in the government service for the past 27 years, most of which were spent in the Judiciary. She obtained her Bachelor of Laws Degree from the University of Santo Tomas, Faculty of Civil Law in 1989 and passed the Bar Examinations in the same year. After passing the bar examinations, she immediately joined the Judiciary as Branch Clerk of Court until her appointment as Clerk of Court of the Regional Trial Court of Agoo, La Union. Thereafter, she was appointed as Assistant Provincial Prosecutor for the Province of La Union until her appointment in 2005 as the Presiding Judge of RTC Branch 68 and Executive Judge of the Regional Trial Court of Lingayen, Pangasinan. She then transferred to Manila as the Presiding Judge of the Regional Trial Court of Caloocan City, Branch 122. A Law Professor and Bar Reviewer at the University of Sto. Tomas Faculty of Civil Law and at Powerhouse Review Center respectively, she is also a lecturer/

resource speaker for various law subjects. As president of the Philippine Judges Association, she occupies the following positions: Member, Board of Trustee, Philippine Judicial Academy; Member, Committee on Gender Responsiveness in the Judiciary; Member, Committee on Judicial Integrity; and the Chairperson of the Technical Working Group of the Judiciary-Wide Committee on Health Care Benefits of Justices, Judges and Certain High Level Officials of the Supreme Court of the Philippines. She is a recipient of various awards of recognition given by the UST-Law Alumni Foundation Inc., Philippine Women Judges Association, Integrated Bar of the Philippines Pangasinan Chapter, among others, and was named as the Most Outstanding RTC Judges of Caloocan City.

#### **SESSION 13**

#### **FOO CHEE HOCK**



Judicial Commissioner Foo is the Dean of the Singapore Judicial College. He joined the Legal Service in 1984 and has more than 25 years of experience in the judicial branch of the Legal Service, holding various appointments in the then Subordinate Courts (renamed as the State Courts in 2014) and the Supreme Court. He was Assistant Registrar of the Supreme Court from 1984 to 1989, Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court in 2001 and Registrar from 2008. He has also held the posts of Registrar of the Appeals Board (Land Acquisition) and Assistant Director at the Legal Aid Bureau. He obtained his Bachelor of Laws from the National University of Singapore in 1984 and received his Master of Law from Queen's College, University of Cambridge, in 1989.

#### SESSION 03

**SESSION 15** 

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**PLENARY 02** 



#### **RAINER HORNUNG**

Dr. Hornung entered the judiciary of the State of Baden-Wurttemberg (Germany) in 2001. He completed legal studies in Passau, Toulouse (France), and Freiburg from 1990 to 1995, and wrote his doctoral thesis from 1995 to 1997. He then served an internship in Baden-Baden District Court from 1997 to 1999. From 2001 to 2004, he worked as a Prosecutor for the Road Traffic and Economic Crime Units of Freiburg Prosecution Office, as a civil and criminal Judge in Titisee-Neustadt Local Court, and as a criminal and sentence execution Judge in Freiburg District Court. From 2004 to 2008, he was seconded to the Department for Legal Education and Training of Baden-Wurttemberg State Ministry of Justice. After another nine-month secondment to Karlsruhe Prosecutor General's Office,

he became Deputy Chief of the Economic Crime Unit of Freiburg Prosecution Office in 2009. From mid-2011 to mid-2015, he served as Director of the German Judicial Academy in charge of nationwide continuous training for acting judges and prosecutors. Since June 2015, he has been serving as Deputy Chief Prosecutor in Lörrach Prosecution Office. He is a member of the Executive Committee of the International Organization for Judicial Training, as well as the Counter-Terrorism Working Group of the European Judicial Training Network (EJTN), on behalf of which he has recently organized general and specialized CT trainings for judges and prosecutors from all 28 EU member States in Madrid, Trier (Germany) and Brussels. Before this function, he has been a member of EJTN's Working Group on Judicial Training Methods and takes a particular interest in the short-term and long-term evaluation of the success of judicial training.

#### **SESSION 20**



#### TANIA JEWCZUK

Ms. Tania Jewczuk was appointed as a judge in 2007. Before joining the ENM, she worked as a civil and a criminal law judge in two regional courts, one of which being the regional court of Paris for six years. She also worked for the French Ministry of Justice in the field of judicial mutual aid in international civil and commercial matters. She joined the international department of the ENM in 2017 as a project manager. She specialized in the training on international civil law and mutual aid, and in the strengthening of judicial training institutes.

# PLENARY 02

# **EILEEN A. KATO**



Ms. Kato was appointed to the King County District Court (Seattle) in June of 1994, and retired from the bench in March of 2016. A graduate of University of Santa Clara School of Law, she currently serves on the Board of Governors for the American Bar Association, as a consultant to the National Center for State Courts, as a faculty member of the National Judicial College, as an executive committee member of the International Organization for Judicial Training, and as a volunteer for the King County Bar Association Neighborhood Legal Clinics. She has also served as a board member for the National Center for State Courts, Justice at Stake, President of the Washington State District and Municipal Court Judges Association (DMCJA), Chair of the DMCJA Education Committee, Chair of the DMCJA DUI Regional Education Programs, President of the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association Judicial Council, ABA Justice Kennedy Commission on

Sentencing, ABA Judges' Journal Editorial Board and Chair of the ABA Judicial Division Conference of Specialized Court Judges. She is a frequent speaker and presenter at local, national and international conferences and forums.

#### **SESSION 19**

#### JASBENDAR KAUR



Ms. Jasbendar Kaur was appointed as a District Judge at the State Courts of Singapore in 2005. She previously served as Deputy Public Prosecutor and State Counsel with the Attorney-General's Chambers of Singapore and as Director of the Legal Department in the Ministry of Manpower. As a District Judge, she hears mainly criminal cases.

She also serves as Deputy Registrar of the State Courts of Singapore, and in this capacity, she assists the Registrar of State Courts in the management of the People Development and Planning (PDPD), Finance and the Communications Directorates. One of her main functions as Deputy Registrar is to provide leadership for manpower planning and management and for the development of organisational competencies frameworks and training masterplans for the judicial officers and court administrators of the State Courts. In this role, she led the teams that developed the Judicial Education Framework for judicial

officers and the Competency Framework at the Individual Level for court administrators. These frameworks are currently used by the organisation and by individual officers as planning tools and developmental guides. She is actively involved in the development and implementation of specialist and leadership training programmes for judicial officers and courts and tribunals administrators. She also works closely with the Singapore Judicial College in the development of training programmes for the judicial officers in the State Courts.

#### **PLENARY 01**

# **WORKSHOP 01**

**SESSION 01** 

#### **SESSION 11**



# C. ADÈLE KENT

Justice Kent was born and raised in Calgary, Alberta. After completing studies in political science, she attended law school at the University of Alberta, graduating with an LL.B. in 1977. Admitted to the Alberta Bar in 1978, she practiced law in Edmonton and then in Calgary, focusing her practice in the latter years on health law and construction litigation. Since her appointment to the Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta in February 1994, she has been a member of several committees of the Court, including the Media Relations Committee, the Civil Procedure Committee, the List Management Committee and the Strategic Planning Committee. She was also a member of the Public Information Committee of the Canadian Judicial Council and the National Advisory Committee on

Judicial Ethics, first as member and then as co-chair. Prior to her appointment as Executive Director of the National Judicial Institute (NJI) in August 2014, she had worked on several NJI courses on judicial ethics, science and civil law. She also assisted the judiciary in other countries in the design of judicial education courses. In 2005, she published a book entitled Medical Ethics: the State of the Law. She speaks English and French.

# **SESSION 19**

# **WILLIAM L. KNOPF**



Judge Knopf was Judge of the Kentucky Court of Justice, USA, for 27 years. He served as trial judge of the Jefferson District Court and the Jefferson Circuit Court, both in Louisville, Kentucky, and appellate judge of the Kentucky Court of Appeals, an intermediate statewide appellate court consisting of 14 judges. He received a degree of bachelor of business administration from the Loyola University of New Orleans in 1976 and a juris doctorate from the Louis D. Brandeis School of Law at the University of Louisville in 1978. He served as Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney (felony prosecutor) from 1979 to 1981, and was in the private practice of law, in association with his father John L. Knopf, Sr., from 1981 to 1984, handling criminal and civil litigation. He was appointed by Governor Martha Layne Collins as District Court Judge in January 1984, elected in November 1984 to complete the unexpired term to which he was appointed, and re-elected in 1985 and

1989. He was appointed by Governor Wallace G. Wilkinson as Circuit Court Judge in December 1989, elected in November 1990 to complete the unexpired term and re-elected in 1991. He was also elected to the Court of Appeals of Kentucky in November 1995 to complete an unexpired term and re-elected in 1999. He retired from the Court of Appeals in June 2006, and then served as a senior judge until May 2010. He was a member of the Kentucky Criminal Justice Council and commission member of the Kentucky Executive Branch Ethics Commission by appointment of Governor Steve Beshear. He currently provides private mediation services.

# **SESSION 16**

## TERESITA ASUNCION M. LACANDULA-RODRIGUEZ



Judge Lacandula-Rodriguez is at present with the Metropolitan Trial Court of Valenzuela City (Philippines), Branch 81, as Presiding Judge and Vice Executive Judge. She graduated with a Dean's Medal for Academic Excellence, ranking 5<sup>th</sup> in the University of the Philippines College of Law graduating class of 2003. She co-wrote a paper which was awarded the Justice Flerida Ruth P. Romero Prize in Family Law. She obtained her Master of Laws from the Ateneo Law School while working full time as judge and graduated in 2014 with a scholarship from the school and as Research Fellow of the Teehankee Center for the Rule of Law. For her undergraduate degree, she finished her Bachelor of Science in Legal Management in Ateneo de Manila University. Her master's thesis on environmental mediation in mining disputebs and other scholarly work was published in the Integrated Bar of the Philippines Journal, Ateneo Law Journal and The

Mediator newsletter. She has also written on family mediation and diversion programs of children in conflict with the law. After inheriting more than 2,000 cases, she has successfully lowered her court's caseload to less than 600. She does volunteer work in Cribs Foundation and Philippine National Red Cross during her free time.





Justice LeBlanc graduated from Dalhousie Law School in May 1979. He then practiced law in Grand Falls, Newfoundland, until his appointment to the Provincial Court of Newfoundland and Labrador in September 1989. He was subsequently appointed to the Supreme Court of Newfoundland and Labrador in June 2000, and sits at present in St. John's. He has been integrally involved in the reform of the family justice system in Newfoundland and Labrador. As past member of the Advisory Family Law Group established by the Federal Department of Justice, he was involved in the drafting of the Spousal Support Advisory Guidelines. As chairperson of the Supreme Court Family Rules Committee, and working on a committee to expand the Unified Family Court in the Province, he has been involved in drafting and implementing new family court rules in the Province, as well as in the formation of a Family Division within the Supreme Court. At present, he is the Senior Administrative Judge of the Family Division in the Province.

# **SESSION 06**

#### **LOUISE LEE LETH**



Mrs. Louise Lee Leth was appointed Head of the Department of Training at The Danish Court Administration, Denmark, in 2014. The Department of Training is responsible for human resource development, organizational development, international affairs and training of judges and other legal and office staff at the Danish Courts. She has a law degree from University of Copenhagen in 2004 where she specialized in EU Law and EU external competencies. Since 2004, she has primarily been working in different ministries in Denmark and until 2014 as Senior Adviser at the Ministry of Education with specialization in educational reforms for youth and adults. She is a member of the board of SEND (partnership between the judicial training academies of Norway, Sweden, Iceland, Finland and Denmark) and ERA Board of Trustees.

# **SESSION 02**

#### **LI XIAOMIN**



Professor Li Xiaomin is Vice President as well as Professor of the National Judges College. He obtained his PhD from China University of Political Science and Law. He was a post-doctoral researcher in the Institute of Law, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, and senior visiting scholar in the Department of Law of London School of Economics and Political Science. He once studied in the Public Administration Institute of the University of Georgia in America and the University of Hamburg in Germany. He had been working in the local government until he was transferred to the Supreme People's Court in 2010 to work as the director of the Scientific Research Department of the China Applied Law Institute, mainly engaged in the research and management of trial theory of the Supreme People's Court as well as the research and implementation of 25 tasks of the Five-year Judicial Reform Guidelines issued by the Supreme People's Court. He conducted, and

participated in, more than 10 law research projects at the national or ministerial level and published over 20 papers or books. He has also written, edited, and translated more than 50 law books. His research fields include the theory and practice of economic law, administrative law, intellectual property law and judicial system.



## FRANCISCO ED. LIM

Atty. Lim is a senior partner and member of the Executive and Special Committees of the Angara Abello Concepcion Regala & Cruz Law Offices (ACCRALAW). A former president of the Philippine Stock Exchange, he is the incumbent president of the Shareholders' Association of the Philippines (SharePHIL). He is also the Chairman, National Competitiveness Committee of the Management Association of the Philippines; Chairman, Judicial System Working Group of the National Competitiveness Council; and trustee of the CIBI Foundation, Inc., the FINEX Research & Development Foundation, Inc. and the Judicial Reform Initiative, Inc.; and Fellow of the Institute of Corporate Directors. He is a law professor in the Ateneo de Manila University and the San Beda Graduate School of Law, and professorial lecturer and the Vice Chair of the Commercial Law Department of the Philippine Judicial Academy. A member of both the Philippine Bar and the New York State Bar, he was closely involved in the enactment

of several Philippine laws, such as the Financial Rehabilitation and Insolvency Act (FRIA), the Credit Investment System Act (CISA), the Real Estate Investment Trust Act (REITA), the Personal Equity Retirement Account Act (PERAA), and the Philippine Competition Act. He was also involved in the formulation of several Philippine procedural rules, such as the Interim Rules on Intra-Corporate Controversies, the Rules on Electronic Evidence, the Rules on Notarial Practice, the Rules on DNA Evidence, the Financial Rehabilitation Rules of Procedure, and the Financial Liquidation and Suspension of Payments Rules of Procedure.

#### **SESSION 13**



#### **LU HSIAO-YUN**

Ms. Hsiao-Yun Lu is the Chief of Academic Affairs Department of the Academy for the Judiciary, Ministry of Justice, Taiwan (AJMJ), and Public Prosecutor of Taiwan High Prosecutors Office. She has worked as prosecutor for 20 years. From 1997 to 2007, she served in several district prosecutors' offices (Taoyuan, Taipei). She was then head prosecutor in Taoyaun, New Taipei and Taipei district prosecutor office and was mainly responsible for white-collar crimes investigation. In 2010, she was appointed by the Prosecutor General as Special Investigation Prosecutor in the Supreme Prosecutors Office, handling major cases involving corruption, economic crimes and offenses against social order. After a four-year term in the Supreme Prosecutors Office in 2014, she started to serve in Taiwan High Prosecutors Office (appeal level). She is in charge of the design and development of Taiwan's pre-job training program for judges and prosecutors, continuing

professional development programs, and AJMJ international cooperation and exchange events. She obtained her Bachelor of Laws degree from the National Taiwan University and her Master of Laws degree (LL.M) from the Harvard Law School in the United States. She was the honoree of the 42<sup>nd</sup> Ten Outstanding Young Persons of Taiwan (2004) and committee member of the Association for Victims Support and the Legal Aid Foundation. She lectures on Anti-Corruption, Criminal Procedure, Financial and Economic Crimes Investigation in several institutes.

#### **SESSION 18**



# **MERLIN M. MAGALLONA**

At present, Professor Magallona is Professorial Lecturer at the University of the Philippines College of Law and Chairman of the Department of International and Human Rights Law of the Academic Council of the Philippine Judicial Academy. He is a member of the Panel of Arbitrators of the Permanent Court of Arbitration at The Hague, Netherlands; member of the Philippine Bar, having completed his law studies in 1958 at the College of Law of the University of the Philippines; and member of the International Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi and International Honor Society of the Social Sciences of Pi Gamma Mu. He was Dean of the University of the Philippines College of Law in 1995–1999 and its Associate Dean in 1991–1995, Director of the Institute of International Legal Studies of the UP Law Center in 2000–2001, and Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (2015–2017). He was Visiting Fellow at Oxford University in 1969

and Visiting Research Fellow at the Graduate School of International Development of Nagoya University in 1994. A participant of the Tokyo External Session of The Hague Academy of International Law in 1968, he was appointed Undersecretary of Foreign Affairs in 2001, which he served until his resignation in July 2002. He was a member of the Supreme Court Committee on Legal Education in 1999–2003, and was designated by the

Supreme Court as Amicus Curie in the controversial Fernando Poe Case. He represented the Philippine Republic as Counsel and Advocate twice in the presentation of oral arguments before the International Court of Justice in the case of Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons in 1995 (advisory opinion) and in the case Concerning Sovereignty over Pulau Ligitan and Pulau Sipadan (Indonesia v. Malaysia), in which the Philippines requested for intervention in 2001. A member of the arbitral tribunal of the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce in Paris, France, in 1999–2000, he represented the Philippines in the Working Group of the UN Diplomatic Conference on the Establishment of an International Criminal Court in Rome in 1998 and headed the Philippine Delegation to the meeting of ICC Preparatory Committee in 2002. His contribution to the centennial anniversary of the UP College of Law is the publication of his Dictionary of Contemporary International Law. Just off the press is his book entitled The Philippine Constitution and International Law, published by the UP Law Center. His latest works include Supreme Court and International Law: Problems and Approaches in Philippine Practice, a critique of jurisprudence in International Law. Published in 2005 is his book Fundamentals of Public International Law, which is being used as reference work in a number of law schools. Among his other publications are: International Issues in Perspective (1998), The Dismantling of the Philippine State (1994), Japan in the New Stage of World Capitalism: Problems in Law and Development in Philippine-Japanese Relations (1995), A Primer on the Law of the Sea (1997), A Primer on the Law of Treaties (1997), and A Primer on the Relation of Philippine Law and International Law (2000). His article on The Concept of Jus Cogens in the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties is published in The Library of Essays in International Law, volume on the Law of Treaties, edited by Scott Davidson, Dartmouth-Ashgate Publishing Co., Aldershot, England.

# **SESSION 16**

#### LINDA L. MALENAB-HORNILLA



Atty. Hornilla began her career in the government as an educator. She occupied the following positions in government: Secondary School Teacher, Human Settlements Project Supervisor, Solicitor at the Office of the Solicitor General, State Prosecutor II at the National Prosecution Office, Associate Commissioner of the Bureau of Immigration, Professor I at the Philippine Judicial Academy (PHILJA), Commissioner of the National Police Commission, Undersecretary of the Department of Justice and Commissioner of the Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board, until her retirement. She graduated with the degrees of Bachelor of Arts, cum laude, and Bachelor of Science in Education, cum laude. She obtained her Bachelor of Laws at the University of the Philippines (UP) and her Master in National Security Administration from the National Defense College of the Philippines. She also completed the General Staff Course at the General Staff College

and earned a Diploma in International Course on Housing, Planning and Building from the Institute of Housing Studies, Rotterdam, Netherlands. As a Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow under the Fulbright Program, she attended the Special Program on Urban and Regional Studies at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts, where she took up courses in Negotiation Strategies and Techniques. She taught law subjects at the Colleges of Law of San Sebastian, Lyceum of the Philippines, and Polytechnic University of the Philippines, and continues to teach at the UP College of Law and the Graduate School of the San Beda College of Law. At present, she chairs the PHILJA Department of Alternative Dispute Resolution. She is also an accredited Court of Appeals Mediator and Professorial Lecturer II of PHILJA.

#### **SESSION 13**

# JOSE MIDAS P. MARQUEZ



Mr. Marquez is the 14<sup>th</sup> Court Administrator of the Supreme Court (Philippines) for the lower courts since the creation of the Office of the Court Administrator in 1975. As Court Administrator, he has supervision over some 2,500 judges and 28,000 court personnel across the country. His responsibilities include judicial discipline of lower court justices, judges and personnel, administrative interventions in case management of lower courts, overseeing of halls of justice and court houses, issuing court circulars and memoranda, and providing public assistance and information. He was once concurrently the Court Administrator, Spokesperson of the Supreme Court, Chief of its Public Information Office, and Chief of Staff of the Office of the Chief Justice. A law professor and author/editor of numerous law books, he heads various committees and projects in the Supreme Court and chairs the Philippine Judicial Academy Department of Court Administration. Admitted as a member of the Philippine Bar in March 1994, he obtained his Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics in 1987 and Juris Doctor degree in 1993, both from the Ateneo de Manila University.

#### **OPENING CEREMONY**

**PLENARY 02** 

# **CLOSING CEREMONY**



#### MARY CAMPBELL MCQUEEN

Ms. McQueen has served as president of the National Center for State Courts since August 2004. A member of the Washington and U.S. Supreme Court Bars, she serves as Secretary General of the International Organization on Judicial Training (IOJT) consisting of 80 country members. Previously, she served as Washington State Court Administrator from 1987–2004 and Director of Judicial Services for the Washington State Office of the Administrator for the Courts (1979–1987), president of the Conference of State Court Administrators (1995–96), and chair of the Lawyer's Committee of the American Bar Association/Judicial Administration Division. She has received the American Judicature

Society's Herbert Harley Award and the NCSC Innovation in Jury Management Award. She also received the John Marshall Award in 2014 presented by the American Bar Association Judicial Division in recognition of her lifetime contributions to the improvement of the administration of justice, judicial independence, justice reform and public awareness. Recently, she received the ABA Judicial Division's Lawyers Conference 2016 Robert B. Yegge Award for Outstanding Contribution in the Field of Judicial Administration. She holds a bachelors of arts degree from the University of Georgia and a juris doctorate from Seattle University Law School.

#### **PLENARY 01**

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**SESSION 15** 



#### JOHN ROBERT MEEKS

Mr. Meeks has been the Vice President of the Institute for Court Management at the National Center for State Courts since 2006. He was Director of the Supreme Court of Ohio Judicial College from 1996–2006 and Senior Attorney at the Supreme Court of Florida Office of the State Court Administrator from 1989–1996. A member of the Florida Bar, he practiced law in Pensacola, Florida, from 1985–1989. He is a past president of the National Association of State Judicial Educators (August 2006–August 2007). He has been a frequent presenter at state, national, and international education programs on the topics of leadership and management in courts, adult education, faculty development,

and curriculum development. He holds a B.A. degree from the University of the South (Sewanee), 1982; a J.D. degree from the Stetson University College of Law, 1985; and a Certificate, The Art and Practice of Leadership Development, from Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government Executive Education, 2007.

#### **SESSION 03**

# **YIGAL MERSEL**



Judge Mersel is the Director of the Center for Judicial Education and Training in Israel. He has been involved in judicial training for many years, teaching mainly ethics, judgment writing and communication in court. He was also the Deputy Secretary General, and later the Secretary General, of the IOJT. A Judge at the District Court of Jerusalem, he holds an LLM and a doctorate LLD from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. He has published two books and more than 20 articles in law reviews and journals, on constitutional law, judicial ethics, civil procedure, administrative law, and judicial training.

#### SHREEKRISHNA MULMI



Mr. Mulmi is the Deputy Director of National Judicial Academy, Nepal. He is an Editor-in-Chief of NJA Law Journal and has earned LL.M. in International Human Rights Law (2008/09) from University of Hong Kong and Criminal and Corporate Laws (2002–2004) from University of Pune, India. As Deputy Director, he directs and undertakes research activities, coordinates training and prepares training manuals and materials including coordination with justice sector organizations for the training and research programs. He has also experiences in coordinating international/regional conferences in the field of law and justice. He has been involved in a number of research programs undertaken by NJA Nepal and other institutes in Nepal. He has published more than a dozen of research articles and book chapters in Nepal and abroad. As a scholar, he has participated in many international conferences including the 7<sup>th</sup> International Conference on the Training of

the Judiciary held on November 8–12, 2016 in Recife, Brazil. He has expertise on commercial law, human rights law, humanitarian law, judicial education, fair trial, social inclusion and social justice issues etc. He leads training sessions on humanitarian law and international criminal law, gender justice, juvenile justice, access to justice, domestic violence, mediation, among others, within NJA-Nepal and outside.

## **SESSION 11**

# **GILAD NEUTHAL**



Judge Neuthal is the vice president and head of the criminal department of the Tel-Aviv district court in Israel. He heads the serious crimes panel of judges, is a member of the court of criminal appeals, and acts as mediator. He has been involved in judicial training for many years. He has organized, and taught in, judicial training courses about sexual abuse and domestic violence cases, evidence, criminal procedure, penalization, mediation and plea bargains. He has many years of experience in teaching lawyers and law students.

#### SESSION 05

#### **MAUREEN O'CONNOR**



Chief Justice O'Connor was first elected to the Supreme Court of Ohio in 2002, becoming the 148<sup>th</sup> Justice of the Court and creating the first female majority in Ohio's history. She was re-elected in November 2008. In 2010, Ohio elected her as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and the first female to lead the judicial branch of the Ohio government. In her first term as Chief Justice, she worked to help voters become informed about judicial candidates and ensure that the courts were accessible to all, promoted diversity in the legal profession and judiciary, and created task forces to examine Ohio's grand jury system and use of the death penalty. In 2016, Ohio re-elected her as Chief Justice for a second and final six-year term. She continues to work on many initiatives, including two issues of great importance: addressing Ohio's opiate/heroin epidemic, and as co-chair of the National Task Force on Fees, Fines and Bail Practices, addressing the impact that court fines and bail practices have on economically disadvantaged communities.

Chief Justice O'Connor is the president of the Conference of Chief Justices (CCJ) and chair of the National Center for State Courts (NCSC) Board of Directors.

#### **GEETA OBEROI**



Dr. Oberoi is a professor of the National Judicial Academy in Bhopal, India. As officiating Director of the Academy from November 3, 2014 to August 4, 2016, she introduced multidisciplinary training courses for judges and internship to create interest in judgeship among law graduates. She also strengthened publications like annual reports, newsletters, journals and verbatim transcripts of all training courses, and designed the website of the Academy. Previously, she was Director of the Institute for Judicial and Legal Studies in Mauritius, Principal of the Lloyd Law College in Greater Noida, and Additional Director at Maharashtra State Judicial Academy, Mumbai. In 2009, she was external Consultant to the Oxfam Novib Office in the Netherlands and Law Commission of India. She also worked with the Delhi Police training school for training newly appointed police officers on the law of evidence. From 2004 to 2008, she worked as a Research Fellow and then as an Assistant

Professor at the National Judicial Academy, India. From 2000 to 2004, she served as Research Fellow in the Indian Law Institute, New Delhi, assisting in judicial reform projects to recommend strategies to tackle problems of delay in the Indian courts. She completed doctoral work on the development of judicial education discourse under the Commonwealth Split Site Scholarship Programme jointly from the University of Warwick, UK and the University of Delhi, India, and her doctoral thesis was published by Thomson Reuters India in 2013. She has also a number of articles published in the journals outside India on the subject of judicial education.

#### **SESSION 14**

# **OTILIA PACURARI**



Dr. Pacurari is a training specialist with expertise in the development of training skills and training of trainers, as well as in the innovative training methods and strategies on the evaluation processes in the judiciary. She has specific experience and expertise in judicial training and strategies for the national schools for the judiciary. She was visiting professor of the Academy for Economic Sciences, Bucharest, Romania, for four years with focus on needs assessment and evaluation. She has been a trainer and training specialist at the National Institute of Magistracy of Romania for 11 years, involved in educational change management, responsible for the trainer training, assessment and evaluation. She has also worked as an expert in various projects abroad to support national judiciary institutes in Albania, Turkey, Moldova, Georgia, Uzbekistan, Azerbaijan, Ukraine, Macedonia, Palestine and other countries. She is a member of the Judicial Training Methods Working Group, sub-

working group for evaluation in the European Judicial Training Network, and as such, she has gained an excellent comparative view of judicial training in European countries. She is the author of numerous publications, including: Legal Education and Judicial Training in Europe, 2013; Initial Training Guidelines for Judges and Prosecutors, 2013 (Leonardo Da Vinci Project); Handbook on Training Methodologies, EJTN translated by the European Commission in all the network institution languages. With a lot of expertise in the evaluation practices, and having been nominated as an expert by EJTN, she is working on a Handbook on Evaluation.

# **SESSION 10**

#### RODOLFO G. PALATTAO



Justice Palattao obtained his Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of the East. After passing the Bar, he started his practice of law as partner at the Palattao and Genito Law Offices. In 1983, he was appointed RTC Judge of Lucena City and in 1990 as RTC Judge of Manila. During his incumbency as Judge, he was chosen Outstanding RTC Judge of Manila four times and two-time finalist for Judicial Excellence. In 1998, he was appointed Associate Justice of the Sandiganbayan and became the senior member of its Fourth Division until his retirement in 2003. He attended several law conferences here and abroad, such as the International Law Conference in Belgrade, West Berlin, and in Montreal, Canada. In 2007, he was participant to a 10-day course in International Criminal Law offered by the Hague Forum for Judicial Expertise in the Netherlands. He also took special studies on Intellectual Property Rights, Freedom of Speech, International Criminal Law and International Law at

Harvard Law School, Boston, Massachusetts. He authored two law books: *The Revised Penal Code Annotated, Book I and Book II*. A former President of the City College of Manila, now Unibersidad de Manila, and Examiner in Criminal Law in the Bar Examinations in 2008, he is the Vice Chair of Department of Criminal Law of the Philippine Judicial Academy. He is a Bar reviewer of the UP Law Center, Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila College of Law, San Sebastian College of Law, UE College of Law, and San Beda College of Law.

# THELMA A. PONFERRADA



Judge Ponferrada joined the Philippine Judiciary in January 1983. As Presiding Judge of the Metropolitan Trial Court of Manila, Branch 18, she was recognized by the Integrated Bar of the Philippines as one of the five outstanding judges of the first level courts in 1988 and the lone recipient of the Jose Abad Santos Award for Judicial Excellence in 1992. She had served as Executive Judge of the Metropolitan Trial Court of Manila for four years prior to her promotion as Presiding Judge of the Regional Trial Court of Quezon City, Branch 104, in March 1997. A year later, she was given by the Philippine Women Judges Association the award as Best Decision Writer for the RTC Category. After her optional retirement as Executive Judge of the Regional Trial Court of Quezon City in 2009, she was appointed as Chief of Office for Administration of the Philippine Judicial Academy (PHILJA). Currently, she holds the position of PHILJA Professor I with administrative

duties. She obtained the Bachelor of Arts degree, magna cum laude, from the University of Santo Tomas in 1967 and the Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of the Philippines in 1971.

# PLENARY 01

# WORKSHOP 02

# **SESSION 05**



## **WOJCIECH POSTULSKI**

Mr. Wojciech Postulski was appointed as judge of the civil court in Poland in 2005. Since February 2007, he has been seconded to the National School of Judiciary and Public Prosecution of Poland as head of the Department of International Cooperation responsible for international relations, training projects in European Union (EU) Law and managing the projects co-financed by EU. He is currently the Secretary General of the European Judicial Training Network (EJTN), Brussels, a position he has held since March 2004. He has served frequently as an expert of the Council of Europe and the European Commission within the projects enhancing judicial reforms and judiciary training, particularly addressed to the Eastern European countries. Previously a trainer of EU Law for judges, he is author and co-author of several books and commentaries on EU Law.

# **SESSION 07**

# ANNE PERPETUAL S. RIVERA-SIA



Judge Rivera-Sia was appointed to the bench on March 14, 2013 at the age of 31. She previously served as Court Attorney for then Associate Justice and current Ombudsman Conchita Carpio Morales and Retired Associate Justice Roberto A. Abad. Admitted as member of the Philippine Bar in 2006, she obtained her Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy from the University of the Philippines Diliman and Juris Doctor degree from the Ateneo de Manila School of Law. In 2016, she was recognized as one of the outstanding first level court judges by the City of Manila and the Society for Judicial Excellence. In addition to her judicial functions as Presiding Judge of the Metropolitan Trial Court of Manila, Branch 12, and Assisting Court Judge for Branch 43 of the Metropolitan Trial Court of Quezon City, she is on her second term as elected Trustee for the NCR of the Metropolitan and City Judges Association of the Philippines (MeTCJAP). She is also a professor at the De La Salle University College of Law, handling remedial law subjects.



# **ELIEZER RIVLIN**

Justice Rivlin is Deputy President (Ret.) of the Supreme Court of Israel and President of the International Organization for Judicial Training. The Ombudsman for the Judiciary since November 2013, he is Deputy President of the domestic Judicial Training and Senior Lecturer at the Institute. He was awarded his first degree in law (LL.B) in 1967 and first master's degree in law (Torts) with distinction in 1978. His second master's degree with thesis (Constitutional Law) was conferred on him by the Law School of Temple University in Philadelphia in 1986. He had practiced law for seven years representing government agencies, corporations and private clients before he was appointed as a judge in 1976. He was appointed to the Supreme Court in 1999. He is a Visiting Lecturer at major academic institutes, including the University of Florida and Cardozo

Law School in New York. He is a Visiting Professor at Columbia Law School in New York and at Berkeley School of Law in California, and Visiting Researcher at Monash Law School in Australia, as well as at the University of Toronto and at Harvard Law School. He headed several national commissions and participated in a variety of academic and professional activities and professional conferences, delivering lectures and participating in academic panels. He served as a member of commission of judge's appointment, as chairman of the Supreme Court Institute for Judicial Ethics and as chairman of the commission in charge of articulating ethics rules for legal clerks. His books and articles embrace several legal fields, including Constitutional Law, Tort Law, Remedies, Civil Procedure, Evidence, Ethics and Commercial Law.

# **SESSION 22**

# MARIA LUISA ISABEL L. ROSALES



Atty. Rosales has worked for and with the government since 2002 in various capacities. After clerking for Supreme Court Justice Roberto A. Abad and Sandiganbayan Presiding Justice Norberto Y. Geraldez, she served as a court attorney for Justice Abad. During her years at the SC, she assisted Justice Abad by organizing various activities for judicial reforms such as the Judicial Affidavit Rule, Jail Decongestion, Drafting of Court Forms, and the National Conference for the Revision of the Rules of Civil Procedure, among others. Since 2012, she has taught courses such as Public International Law and Introduction to Law at the Ateneo Law School and DLSU College of Law. She collaborated with Dean Sedfrey M. Candelaria and Atty. Blessilda Abad-Gamo in the conceptualization and eventual teaching of The Judicial Mind, an elective on the judiciary. Her scholarly work mainly tackles the judiciary at various levels. She went on to be the only representative of the Philippines in the 2015 class of Harvard Law School where she continued to focus on process, procedure,

judicial reform, and dispute resolution. Following an academic fellowship with HLS, she returned as an associate at Legaspi Rosales Law Offices. She is also currently a consultant of The Asia Foundation, providing technical, analytical, and management support for the Law and Human Rights Unit's operational work, with particular focus on the Rule of Law program of The Asia Foundation-Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (TAF-DFAT) Partnership in the Philippines.

#### **SESSION 22**

# HADIZA S. SA'EED



A lawyer, Ms. Sa'eed has a Master's Degree in International Law, Security and Terrorism from the University of Nottingham UK and another one in Environmental Law from the University of Jos Nigeria. She resumed as the Deputy Director/Head, Judges Performance and Evaluation/Legal Department at the National Judicial Council Abuja in May 2017, overseeing the development of a fair, transparent and useful performance and evaluation system, identifying areas of focus for capacity building efforts for Judicial Officers, integrating the Nigerian Case Management System (NCMS) into the Performance and Evaluation Process, and coordinating the legal representation of the National Judicial Council, among other duties. Previously, she had served for over 12 years at the National Judicial Institute (NJI), where she was actively involved in training and research, and disengaged as an Assistant Director at the Studies Department. She also served as Senior Special Assistant to two Chief Justices of Nigeria between 2011–2012 and in 2014–2016 where

she contributed to the development and implementation of the reform agenda for the Judiciary. She has written several published and unpublished papers in the areas of Judicial Ethics, Alternative Dispute Resolution, Internet Law, Maritime Law, Gender Issues, Environmental Law, as well as Court and Case Management. She was also a contributor to the Judicial Ethics Training Manual and the Alternative Dispute Resolution Manual for the Nigerian Judiciary, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, 2007, and the Commentary of the Bangalore Principles in 2007. She participated in the drafting of the Nigerian Code of Conduct for Court Employees which came into effect in March 2003.



#### MARIA JOSEFINA G. SAN JUAN-TORRES

Judge San Juan-Torres is the Presiding Judge of the Regional Trial Court, Branch 79, Morong, Rizal, 4<sup>th</sup> Judicial Region, Philippines. She holds a degree of Juris Doctor from the Ateneo de Manila University School of Law and Diploma in Human Rights from the International Institute of Human Rights (Strasbourg, France). She took two Summer Courses on refugee law at the Center for Refugee Studies, York University, Toronto, Canada, and was awarded a two-week internship course at the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (Geneva). She has done extensive research on refugee and related concerns involving women and children, with her thesis entitled *ASEAN Refugee Policy: A Collective Legal Approach to (Refugee) Prevention and Protection (CLAPP)* and authored publications on regional issues concerning refugees and similar persons of concern.

A lecturer at the International Institute of Human Rights (re: Asian Perspective of Human Rights), she taught cultural orientation courses to Indochinese refugees (pregnant women, the youth, former soldiers). She was a teacher at the Philippine Refugee Processing Center (PRPC) under the International Catholic Migration Commission (ICMC) and paralegal of the Jesuit Refugee Service assisting the processing of appeals claims of Indochinese asylum seekers housed in Palawan Processing Center. Currently, she is a resource person for the Department of Justice–Refugee and Stateless Persons Protection Unit and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) on matters involving refugees, stateless persons and similar persons of concern, particularly on the role of the Judiciary in asylum proceedings (naturalization, citizenship and civil registration) and the International Commission of Jurists (in the area of large scale migration and refugee flow, Geneva Forum (2016). She is a member of the International Association of Refugee Law Judges (Asia-Pacific Chapter) and the Asian Network for Refugee and International Protection (ANRIP).

# **SESSION 14**





Dr. Sana is a full-time Professor in health professions education at the National Teacher Training Center for the Health Professions, University of the Philippines Manila. She is also the immediate past dean of the Center and concurrent Director of the university's Information, Publication, and Public Affairs Office. She is also the editor and primary author of the country's first book in health professions education entitled *Teaching and Learning in the Health Sciences*, published by the University of the Philippines Press in 2010 and 2013, which has been awarded as 2011 Most Outstanding Book by the National Academy of Science and Technology. She is the instructional designer of the 2008 Competency Enhancement Training (CET) program for family court judges and personnel handling child abuse cases, which is continuing until the present. She is also the researcher and instructional designer of the Gender Sensitivity Training (GST) of Court Personnel that

commenced in 2014. In terms of training design, CET is competency-based while GST is outcome-based. She and her team composed of Justice Ameurfina M. Herrera, Amy A. Avellano, Katrina Legarda, Nimfa C. Vilches (†), and Bernadette J. Madrid published the *Competency Enhancement Training for Philippine Family Court Judges and Personnel Handling Child Abuse Cases* in Child Abuse Review International Journal in 2013.

# **SESSION 16**





Judge Santos is at present the Presiding Judge of the Regional Trial Court of Naga, Branch 61. He was Judge of the 9<sup>th</sup> Municipal Circuit Trial Court of Nabua-Bato, Camarines Sur, from 2010 to 2015, during which period he was also Acting Presiding Judge of the Municipal Trial Court of Balatan, Camarines Sur. He is the author of the book *Justice of the Peace: The Work of a First-Level Court Judge in the Rinconada District of Camarines Sur* (Quezon City: Central Books, 2015). He graduated with AB in History cum laude from the University of the Philippines (1975), LL.B. from the University of Nueva Caceres (1982) in Naga City, and LL.M. from the University of Melbourne (2000). A political and social activist, human rights and IHL lawyer, legislative consultant and legal scholar, as well as peace advocate, researcher and writer especially for and on the Mindanao peace process, he has a book entitled *The Moro Islamic Challenge: Constitutional Rethinking for the Mindanao Peace* 

*Process* (Quezon City: University of the Philippines Press, 2001; with 2<sup>nd</sup> printing, 2009), where he made the first full argument for charter change of the peace process. As a practicing lawyer from 1983 to 2010, he was a counsel of record in around ten Philippine Supreme Court Decisions from 1990 to 2010, including at least four human rights cases.

# SESSION 09

# **SESSION 11**



# **JOSEPH ROLAND SAWYER**

Mr. Sawyer has been a staff member of The National Judicial College (NJC) since 1982 and is the director of faculty development and distance learning. He oversees NJC courses involving judicial ethics, fairness and access to the courts, provides instruction to the faculty on the use of teaching and classroom technologies, educates the faculty on the best methods of educating judges in an online learning environment in both synchronous and asynchronous formats, and develops distance-learning programs for judges. A former president of the National Association of State Judicial Educators, he serves on the association's diversity committees. In 2004, he was the recipient of The William R. McMahon Award presented annually by the American Bar Association Judicial Division

National Conference of Specialized Court Judges for leadership in the field of technology in the courts. He was a lecturer at the Russian Academy of Justice in Moscow and at the James A.A. Pierre Judicial Center in Liberia, as well as in Bosnia for the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe. A graduate of the Leadership Institute for Judicial Education, he was accepted into the Advanced Leadership Institute for Judicial Education in 2006. He has also been a faculty member of the State Bar of Nevada since 2002. Within the United States, he has taught more than 220 educational workshops for judges and judicial branch staff in 22 states and the District of Columbia. He has also developed and produced hundreds of webcasts on topics ranging from criminal evidence, mental competency, and electronic discovery.

# **SESSION 20**

## **CAROLIN SCHLEKER**



Ms. Carolin Schleker is a Human Rights Officer at the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED), where her responsibilities include providing expert advice to staff on human rights in relation to counter-terrorism and countering violent extremism. She assists in the analysis of the status of implementation of UN resolutions 1373 (2001), 1624 (2005) and 2178 (2014), with particular reference to human rights aspects of those resolutions and organizes CTED-sponsored regional workshops to bring together senior practitioners on implementing various aspects of these and other related resolutions. In 2014–2015, She worked for the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) on the counter-terrorism and human rights file, where she co-chaired the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force working group on human rights and rule of law, managed several global programmes, and mainstreamed human rights issues into the counter-terrorism policies and activities of the United Nations.

She has previously served as a Human Rights Specialist in the Policy Division at UN Women Headquarters in New York, where her responsibilities included providing technical advice on the UN human rights system to colleagues in the field as well as at headquarters developing and implementing gender equality programmes. Her prior postings included the Human Rights Treaty Bodies Branch in OHCHR Geneva and the Human Rights Section of the German Ministry of Foreign Affairs. She was awarded a PhD from the School of Law at the University of Essex in 2015, where she also obtained a Master's degree in the Theory and Practice of Human Rights (with distinction) in 2004.

#### **SESSION 03**

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**PLENARY 02** 



# **ERNEST SCHMATT PSM**

Mr. Schmatt is the Chief Executive of the Judicial Commission of New South Wales (NSW), and as such, he is responsible for its operations which are designed to foster public confidence in the judicial system in the NSW by providing a program of continuing judicial education, promoting consistency in sentencing and the investigation of complaints made against judicial officers. He was admitted to practice as a barrister of the NWS Supreme Court in 1979. He has held senior legal and management positions in the public sector, including Solicitor for the Public Service Board of NSW (1984–1987) and Solicitor Assisting the Special Commission of Inquiry Into the Police Investigation of the Death of Donald Mackay (1986). He was awarded the Public Service Medal in the 1997

Queen's Birthday Honours List for service to public sector management and reform, public sector industrial relations and judicial education. He was elected to the Board of Governors of the International Organisation for Judicial Training (IOJT) in 2009 and as a member of the IOJT Executive Committee (now Board of Executives) in 2011. He was re-elected to this IOJT position in 2013 and 2015. He is a member of the Advisory Board of the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute and the Asia Pacific Judicial Reform Forum Secretariat. He is also an Honorary Associate in the Graduate School of Government, the University of Sydney.

#### **OPENING CEREMONY**



#### MARIA LOURDES P. A. SERENO

She is the proud product of the public school system, as class salutatorian of Kamuning Elementary School, and with Honors in Quezon City High School. Armed with a scholarship, she obtained her AB Economics degree from the Ateneo De Manila University (ADMU) in 1980. With the same and additional scholarships, she graduated with a law degree from the University of the Philippines in 1984 as Class Valedictorian and cum laude. In 1993, with two scholarships, she completed her degree in Master of Laws, at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA.

She started her career in private practice as a junior associate of the Sycip Salazar Feliciano and Hernandez law firm, and then joined the UP College of Law faculty for 20 years. She taught civil law,

administrative law, and negotiable instruments law, among others. She was also a lecturer in various other universities throughout her stint in the academe. In 2004, she was a lecturer on International Trade Law at the Hague Academy of International Law (External Session) and taught the international legal environment for doing business at two Manila extension programs of the Murdoch University and the University of Western Australia. While a member of the UP Law faculty, she was technical consultant with the functional title of Deputy Commissioner at the Presidential Committee on Human Rights, and continued to serve briefly at its successor body, the Commission on Human Rights.

She also served as consultant for Judicial Reform of the UNDP, WB, and USAI, and wrote the first paper on judicial dysfunction and the cost of doing business. She was the principal advocate for the judicial reform program funded by the UNDP that led to the Blueprint for Judicial Reform. In 1998, she was a counsellor of the WTO Appellate Body in Geneva. After the WTO, she served as the lone lady Commissioner and the Chairperson of the Steering Committee of the Preparatory Commission on Constitutional Reform in 1999.

She was part of the legal team of the Republic in two international arbitration cases filed separately by PIATCO and Fraport for the controversial NAIA Terminal 3. The Philippine government won both cases. She became the Executive Director of the AIM in 2009, where she led important research and measurements of the competitiveness of local governments.

In her years as a lawyer and educator, Sereno received several awards, including the 1998 The Outstanding Women in the Nation's Service for Law (for her work in international trade law); 2014 Manuel L. Quezon Gawad Parangal Individual Awardee; 2015 Tandang Sora Awardee and 2016 Icon of Legal Excellence and Public Service, UP Women Lawyers' Circle.

All her hard work and experience prepared her for her service at the Supreme Court, especially when she broke the glass ceiling as the first woman Chief Justice.

#### **SESSION 02**





Mr. Muhammad Shahid Shafiq started his career in 1993 as Civil Judge & Judicial Magistrate. He worked for the High Court of Sindh as Research Officer and Additional Registrar. He was nominated as Secretary of the Rules Committee and Member of the Board of Governors of Sindh Judicial Academy by the Chief Justice, High Court of Sindh. He headed Access to Justice Program in Sindh Province. He has arranged a number of conferences and training programs for justice sector stakeholders. He has presided over Banking Court and Anti-terrorism Court. He is a master trainer and has undergone training of trainers. He suggested amendments in the relevant laws aiming to expedite trial process and proposed amendments in many legislative documents. He drafted a law on Illegal Dispossession from Land. He has been working for Sindh Judicial Academy in Karachi, Pakistan, for the last one year as Senior Faculty Member. He is conducting research on Rent Laws, Jail Rules and Alternative Dispute Resolution by introducing court annexed mediation.

He is also leading a quantitative research by collecting secondary data by analysing sample size of 2000. The study would reflect causes of delay in the disposal of cases pending in banking (commercial) courts and suggest solution. He has been attempting to design skill-based training programs for each cadre of judicial officers, using mock trial and exercises as the main tool in the training process, and to this regard, training manuals are being prepared. He has travelled to Nepal, Dubai, Australia and United States of America, and during visits, he got opportunity to observe the judicial system and attempted to adopt the good practices in Pakistan.

## MARIA FILOMENA D. SINGH



A graduate of the University of the Philippines (UP) cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English major in Imaginative Writing, Justice Singh proceeded to law school and earned her Juris Doctor degree from the Ateneo de Manila University (ADMU) School of Law with second honors distinction. She studied at the Washington College of Law of the American University in Washington, D.C., USA, for a Master of Laws in International Legal Studies. She practiced law for 10 years before joining the judiciary in October 2002 as the Presiding Judge of Branch 31 of the Metropolitan Trial Court of Quezon City. She served as Executive Judge of the MeTC-Quezon City for two terms. Simultaneously, she sat as the representative of the first level courts on the Board of Trustees of the Philippine Judicial Academy (PHILJA) until her promotion to the Regional Trial Court of Quezon City as Presiding Judge of Branch 85 in June 2007. By the time of

her promotion, she had reduced her inherited docket from some 4,500 to only 892 active cases, for which she was bestowed the Don Antonio Madrigal Award for Judicial Excellence as Most Outstanding First Level Court Judge of 2007. From August 2009 to June 2010, she was a Hubert Humphrey Fellow on Court Management and Judicial Education of the US Department of State and in the course of such Fellowship, she worked with the World Bank's Institutional Reform Sector, specifically on judicial reform projects in Europe and Central Asia. During the same year, she became the first Philippine Judicial Fellow at the Federal Judicial Center in Washington, D.C., the educational arm of the US Supreme Court. On 14 March 2014, she was appointed as an Associate Justice of the Court of Appeals. She currently sits on the Court's Committee on Rules and Journal Committee. She is a member of PHILJA Civil Law Department, as well as its Sub-Committee for Curriculum Review. An active lecturer of the Mandatory Continuing Legal Education circuit for lawyers, she is a member of the Faculty of Law of the ADMU and the UP College of Law. She has written and presented a paper on Court and Case Management upon the invitation of the IOJT in Sydney, Australia, in October 2009. She has also written a Toolkit for Philippine Trial Judges, as well as a working paper on Enforcement of Ethical Standards. She has served on several committees of the Supreme Court, including the Technical Working Group that drafted the Rule on Small Claims and its templates; the eCourts (Trial Courts Automation) Project for which she sits on the Technical Governance Committee; the Committee on Computerization and Library; the Justice Sector Coordinating Council's Capacity Building and Processes Technical Working Group; the Technical Working Group I for the Revision of the Rules on Civil Procedure; and the Records Disposal Project for Pilot Courts.

#### **SESSION 05**

## ROBERTA SOLIS RIBEIRO MARTINS



Ms. Solis is a Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC). She joined UNODC on a secondment in November 2016 to lead the Judicial Integrity component under the Doha Declaration Global Programme which aims to help Judiciaries strengthen their measures to promote judicial integrity and independence and prevent corruption within the judicial system. Before joining UNODC, she had served as a career Federal Attorney in the government of Brazil since 2005 and worked for eight years in Brazil's Anti-Corruption Agency, where she held the position of Chief International Affairs Advisor. During this time, she was involved in various national and international activities, and participated in the establishment of different international initiatives, such as the negotiations of the Implementation Review Mechanism of the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC), and the

creation of the Open Government Partnership (OGP) and the Global Initiative for the Fiscal Transparency (GIFT). From 2012 to 2016, she was the Chair of the Criteria and Standards Sub-Committee of the Open Government Partnership. She holds a bachelor's degree in Law from the University of the State of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and a post-graduate degree in International Relations from the University of Brazilia, Brazil.

#### **MOSES S. SORIBAH**



Atty. Soribah is the Acting Executive Director of James A.A. Pierre Judicial Training Institute (JAAPJTI), which is an access to justice framework and mechanism established in response to the need to make justice accessible to all within the borders of Liberia by providing training and orientation for magistrates, public defendants, clerks of court and law enforcement personnel and actors, and producing legal materials and books for courtroom proceedings, as well as conducting legal research. An expert in Grant Sourcing, Management and Reporting, he acquired a Bachelor of Business Administration from the University of Liberia and studied at the Louis Arthur Grimes School of Law, also at the University of Liberia, where he graduated with LL.B. degree. He is a candidate for the degree of Master of Arts in Public Administration under the Cuttington Graduate Program, Cuttington University. A member of the Board of Governors of the Liberian Legal

Information Institute, he was founding member of the Human Right and Protection Forum and the Sustainable Livelihood Promoters Program (SLPP) where he remains as Chairman of the Board of Governors-SLIPP. He also founded the International Association for Volunteer Efforts (Liberia) that has implemented several projects, including a UNICEF sponsored disarmament, demobilization and reintegration project for women, children and girls who were associated with the fighting forces. He has attained other competencies which capacitated him to successfully conduct legal training workshops and seminars, and more than above all, made possible his able administration and management of the Training Arm of the Judiciary Branch of the Liberian Government.

#### **SESSION 03**

# **SESSION 13**



# **TAN BOON HENG**

Judge Tan Boon Heng is the Executive Director of the Singapore Judicial College (SJC), established under the auspices of the Supreme Court of Singapore. He is a sitting District Judge seconded from the State Courts of Singapore to the SJC. Besides teaching Law of Evidence, Civil Procedure and Medical Law & Health Policy at the Singapore Management University's School of Law, he is the course coordinator and lecturer in Civil Litigation for the Singapore Bar Examinations. He regularly conducts seminars for the legal profession under the Continuing Professional Development Program. Over and above his judicial duties in the State Courts, he adjudicates in military cases as the President of the Singapore Armed Forces General Courts Martial and as a member of the Disciplinary

Tribunal of the Singapore Medical Council. He graduated with LL.B. (Hons) from the National University of Singapore in 1993 and LL.M. from the University of California at Berkeley in 2003.

# **SESSION 19**

# THEODORE O. TE



Atty. Te is the Assistant Court Administrator and Chief Public Information Officer, Supreme Court (Philippines). He is a Professorial Lecturer on Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure at the De La Salle University College of Law and on Injunctive Writs and The Philippine Human Rights Prerogative Writs: Amparo, Habeas Data, and Habeas Corpus at the Ateneo de Manila School of Law. He is also a Professorial Lecturer at the Far Eastern University Institute of Law and the Philippine Judicial Academy (PHILJA), and Vice Chair of the PHILJA Department of International Law and Human Rights. He is a member of several committees of the Supreme Court, including the Committee on Gender Responsiveness in the Judiciary, Committee on Family Courts and Juvenile Concerns, Committee on the New Supreme Court Complex, Bids and Awards Committee for the New Supreme Court Complex, and Committee on Access to Underserved Areas. He was Bar Examiner in

Labor Laws and Social Legislation in 2015, and Criminal Law in 2014. He held such other positions as Assistant Professor and Member of the Dean's Executive Committee of the University of the Philippines College of Law, Director of the Institute of Human Rights of the University of the Philippines Law Center, Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel of University of the Philippines System, and Director of the UP Office of Legal Aid.

# **SESSION 22**



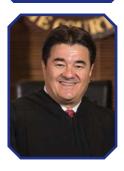
## **NOEL G. TIJAM**

Justice Tijam was appointed as the 176<sup>th</sup> Associate Justice of the Supreme Court on March 8, 2017. He is a lecturer at the Philippine Judicial Academy (PHILJA) and under the mandatory continuing legal education program, teaching remedial law, oral advocacy and legal ethics. He was Bar Examiner for Remedial Law in 2016 and Bar Examiner for Legal Ethics in 2009. He has represented the country in various international seminars and workshops. Just recently, he attended the Asean-Uspto Colloquium for the Judiciary on Civil and Criminal IP Appellate Cases in Bangkok, Thailand. Last June 21 to 25, he gave a short presentation on the protection of seafarer's rights in the Philippines in the Workshop on the Fair Treatment of Seafarers at the Headquarters of the International

Maritime Organization of the United Nations held in London. He was appointed as Presiding Judge of the Regional Trial Court of Quezon City, in 1994. While in the trial court, he served as President of the QC-RTC Judges Association. In 2003, he was appointed as Justice of the Court of Appeals and designated as Chairperson of the CA Journal while serving, at the same time, as member of various committees of the appellate court. Before joining the Judiciary, he was a Legal Consultant of Senator Victor Ziga. He also served as Assistant Vice President and Deputy Corporate Secretary of the GSIS, Legal Counsel and Corporate Secretary of the Manila Hotel Corporation and the Westin Philippine Plaza, and Board Director of Comsavings Bank. He obtained his bachelor of laws degree, cum laude and class salutatorian, from the San Beda College of Law, and passed the 1971 Bar Examinations at the age of 22.

#### **SESSION 13**

# ROBERT J. TORRES, JR.



Justice Torres was sworn in as Justice of the Supreme Court of Guam in 2004. He served as Chief Justice of Guam from January 15, 2008 to January 18, 2011 and from January 21, 2014 to January 17, 2017. He played a central role in expanding court services on Guam with the opening of the Northern Court Satellite, enabling wireless technology and videoconferencing in the courtrooms, and implementing e-filing and increased online services. A self-professed technophile, he laid the groundwork for the design and acquisition of a modern case management system and continues to oversee various technological advancements for the Judiciary of Guam. At present, he serves on the American Judges Association's Executive Committee and Board of Governors as the President-Elect, and chairs various Judiciary of Guam subcommittees. He has lectured in more than 20 countries on a variety of subjects, including the International Framework

for Court Excellence, case flow management, cultural responsiveness, court community communication, alternative dispute resolution, technology, and judicial ethics and discipline. He received his B.B.A. from University of Notre Dame (magna cum laude; Beta Gamma Sigma; Beta Alpha Psi) and J.D. from Harvard Law School. He was also awarded two Doctor of Laws (LL.D.), honoris causa, from the University of Cebu and the Centro Escolar University in the Philippines.

#### **SESSION 15**

#### **DELILAH VIDALLON-MAGTOLIS**



Justice Magtolis is a multi-awarded jurist with almost 23 years of service in the judiciary. She was appointed as Metropolitan Trial Court Judge in Quezon City in January 1983, and as RTC Judge in the same city in 1986. An awardee for Judicial Excellence, she was appointed to the Court of Appeals in 1994. After her compulsory retirement in November 2005 from the Court of Appeals where she received an Achievement Award for having disposed of all her cases submitted for decision, she was appointed as Executive Secretary of the Philippine Judicial Academy. She held such position until May 31, 2008, when she became the Chief of Office for Academic Affairs effective June 1, 2008. As a trial judge, she was the recipient of various awards, foremost of which were: the Cayetano Arellano Award for Judicial Excellence as Outstanding RTC Judge given by the Foundation for Judicial Excellence in 1992; Award for Most Outstanding RTC Judge given by the Integrated Bar of the Philippines in 1989; Outstanding Judge Award

given by the IBP of Quezon City; Outstanding Jurist and Public Servant Award given by the Quezon City Youth

Development Foundation; Woman of Distinction Award in the Field of Justice given by the YWCA of Quezon City on its 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary; Certificate of Merit from the Philippine Women Judges Association for her Innovations on Judicial Management and Procedures; Ulirang Ina Award in the field of Judiciary given by the National Mothers' Day and Fathers' Day Foundation; and Area Champion, Impromptu Speech Contest, Toastmasters International (Area 2, Division A). She is a graduate of the Francisco College (Ll.B., magna cum laude, 1959) and the Far Eastern University (BSC, 1955). She took up graduate studies in Public Administration at the University of the Philippines with a graduate fellowship. At the Harvard University, Massachusetts, USA, she took up special courses in Law and the Internet, Developments in Family Law, International Litigation, and Public and Private International Economic Law. She also attended various training programs and seminars in the United States of America, Canada, and South Korea. A Professorial Lecturer of the Philippine Judicial Academy and certain MCLE providers, she was a lecturer of the Institute of Judicial Administration of the University of the Philippines and the Department of Justice. She has written several legal articles, published and unpublished, and is a co-author of the *Benchbook on The Child in the Justice System*, published by the FairCHILD and the UP Law Center in 1994.

#### **SESSION 12**



#### **OYUMAA VOLODYA**

A lawyer and accountant, Ms. Oyumaa Volodya graduated from the National University of Mongolia with the Bachelor's degree in Law (1994–1998), Master's degree in Law (1999–2000), and Bachelor's degree in Business Administration and Accounting (2011–2015). In 2010, she also received a Doctoral degree in Law (PhD). Under the auspices of the Academic Council of the National University of Mongolia, she was awarded the Vice Professor title in 2014. She has been a member of the Judicial General Council of Mongolia since May 25, 2017.

# **SESSION 01**



#### **KASHIM ZANNAH**

Justice Zannah serves on the High Court bench for the past 20 years, 13 of which as Chief Judge. He is a member of the National Judicial Council and the National Judicial Institute of Nigeria Board of Governors. He is active on several international bodies in the field of judicial education and justice generally, such as the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute, the International Institute for Justice Excellence, and the International Society for the Reform of Criminal Law. He is also the Vice President of the International Association of Refugee Law Judges. A recipient of the Medal of the International Society for the Reform of Criminal Law (2012) and the NCSC Distinguished Service Award(2013), he has spoken and presented at several international fora, like the World Jurist Association World Congress and International Anti-Corruption Conference, as well as participated in Expert Group Meetings of the UNODC and UNDP, particularly on the subjects of judicial integrity and anti-corruption.

