

The Continued Professional Development Subcommittee presents a webinar on

Not Reporting Sexual Harassment: Law, Policy & Psychology

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Date: 30 July 2021 (Fri) **Time:** 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Webinar via Zoom

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Synopsis:

This webinar aims to educate participants about sexual harassment in the Legal environment and the psychological rationale of not reporting sexual harassment. How can the Law form a shield from sexual harassment and what are the avenues available?

Topics:

- The direct and indirect psychological effects of sexual harassment.
- How not reporting can jeopardize and undermine victims.
- Current Legal mechanisms and redress available for victims.
- Proposed reforms on law and policy.

The Moderator:



Santhi Latha is the current President of the Association of Women Lawyers and actively works on developing platforms for collaboration and communication, particularly in the Legal Community. She also sits on the Bar Council Innovation & Future of Law Committee, Common Bar Course Committee and the Kuala Lumpur Bar's Gender, Equality & Diversity Committee.

The Speakers:



Meera Samanther is a well-known figure within the discussion sphere of gender equality issues in Malaysia. She is a Feminist Activist and a vocal Advocate in Malaysia. She was the former President of Womens Aid Organisation (WAO) and Association of Women Lawyers (AWL). She currently sits on the Executive Committee of AWL; involved in issues concerning workplace discrimination and sexual harassment. She was part of the Joint Action Group for Gender Equality (JAG) that had initially drafted the Gender Equality Bill and the Sexual Harassment Bill in 2011 and 2017. She was also one of the 6 members in NGO Team to present before the Convention on the Elimination of All forms of

Discrimination Against Women Committee (CEDAW) in 2006, in New York. In 2014, she was responsible in conducting a Baseline Survey on the Working Conditions of the Male and Female Lawyers in Kuala Lumpur & Selangor, looking at issues of discrimination and Sexual Harassment. Meera sits on an International Advisory Council of the Coalition of Sexual and Bodily Rights (CSBR) that brings together men and women from the Asia Pacific Region to discuss, strategize and lobby on issues pertaining to autonomy of women's bodily rights.

Daniella Zulkifili often volunteers and serves Civil Society organisations in issues relating to; gender equality, sexual harassment prevention and reproductive rights. She is the Vice President of the Association of Women Lawyers and has been an active contributor to its work since 2011. She was part of the task force which drafted the Sexual Offences Against Children Act 2017 and since 2017 she has been part of the Joint Action Group for Gender Equality's (JAG) Sexual Harassment Bill drafting team. She is also the former co-chairperson of the National Young Lawyers Committee.





Puveshini Rao is a clinical psychologist who practices at Rekindle Center for Systemic Therapy and currently lectures in UCSI in the field of Clinical Psychology. She also co-founded an employee wellness company, Querencia Psychological & Consulting Services focused on training, development and coaching employees and organisations on improving holistic wellbeing and work life balance. She serves as the Honorary Secretary of Women's Aid Organisation where she volunteers her time and expertise in changing gender stereotypes and creating a gender equal world.

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