





Virtual side-event BMS 7

"Connecting the Dots: Enhancing implementation of the UN PoA and the Women, Peace & Security and 2030 Agendas – through increased parliamentary engagement and action in international processes"

July 29, 7:00 – 8:30 hours <u>EDT</u> / 13:00 – 14:30 hours <u>CEST</u> / 18:00 – 19:30 hours <u>WIB</u> Zoom

The side-event will highlight the recommendations for parliamentary action of the "Connecting the Dots" regional webinars in Southeast Asia and Africa. It includes recommendations on actions and perspectives by parliamentarians to support the UN PoA, Women, Peace and Security and 2030 Agendas. It also seeks to provide input to and underpin the impact of the discussions and results of the BMS 7, on the importance of parliamentary action in both regions to advance the agenda of the UN PoA.

Moderator:

Ms Karin Olofsson – Secretary General of the Parliamentary Forum on SALW (PFSALW)

Panellists:

Mr Richard Chelin, Senior Researcher, Institute for Security Studies, Pretoria (ISS)

Ms Ida Scarpino - Coordinator on Gender mainstreaming control of SALW, United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific (UNRCPD)

Mr Mario Pandu Dewono, Deputy Secretary General, ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA)

Hon Biyika Lawrence Songa, Member of the Parliament of the Republic of Uganda

HE Ann-Sofie Nilsson - Ambassador for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation, Sweden

Brief comments, Hon Lidia Martins, President of the Group of Women Parliamentarians, National Parliament of Timor-Leste

Brief comments, Hon Dr Raphael Chegeni, Tanzania - Vice-president of PFSALW

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