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Comprehensive Legal and Judicial Development:
Towards an Agenda for a Just and Equitable Society in the 21st Century

J.W. Marriott Hotel
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June 5-7, 2000

DRAFT AGENDA

Monday, June 5th

12:00-2:00 PM  Registration

2:30-3:00 PM  Opening Address: James D. Wolfensohn, President, The World Bank

3:00-4:00 PM:  Keynote Address: The Role of Legal and Judicial Reform in the Development Process?
               Amartya Sen, Nobel Prize Laureate in Economics

4:15-6:15 PM  Session I. What are the Elements for a Successful Legal and Judicial System?
               Moderator: Peter Messitte
               Speakers: Chief Justice Yong Pung How, Singapore (pending)
                          Bryant Garth, Director, American Bar Foundation
                          Elizabeth Guigou, Minister of Justice, France (pending)
                          Jan Drgonec, former Justice, Constitutional Court, Slovakia

6:15-7:15 PM  Reception
Proposed Agenda

Tuesday, June 6th
8:30-9:00 AM Coffee and Tea

9:00-12:00 PM Simultaneous Sessions: Session II. What Alternatives exist for Holding Governments accountable?
Moderator: Richard Messick
Commentator: Rolf Knieper, University of Bremen
Speakers:
Denis Galligan, Professor, University of Oxford
Bience Gawanas, Ombudswoman, Namibia
Jorge Quiroga, Vice President, Bolivia (pending)
Indonesian rep. (pending)

Session III. Can Laws and Institutions Give Voice to the Poor?
Moderator: Linn Hammergren
Commentator: ILO Representative and Jorge Obando, UNDP
Speakers:
Lola Villaguirán, Director, De la Mujer, Ecuador
Shahdeen Malik, Madaripur Legal Aid Society, Bangladesh
Martin Abregu, Executive Director, Center for Legal and Social Studies, Argentina
Grizelda Mayo-Anda, Executive Director, Environmental Legal Assistance Center, Philippines

12:15-1:30 PM Lunch: Justice Anthony M. Kennedy, U.S. Supreme Court (pending)

1:45-3:45 PM Simultaneous Sessions: Session IV. How Do Informal and other Mechanisms complement the Legal System?
Moderator: T. Mpoy-Kamulayi
Commentator:
Speakers:
Wang Shengmin, Director, Civil Law Office, NPC, China
Katharyn Hendley, University of Wisconsin, Law School
Indonesian rep (pending)

Session V. How Can the Judiciary Curb Corruption?
Moderator: Maria Gonzalez de Asis
Commentator: Peter Manikas, Senior Program Officer, NDI
Speakers:
Luis Moreno Ocampo, Lawyer, Argentina
Maher Abdel Wahed, Prosecutor General, Egypt
Russian or Sri Lankan rep. (pending)
Session VI. How Do the Media Support the Reform Process?
Moderator: Hadi Abushakra
Commentator: Journalist to be identified (pending)
Speakers:
Sheila Coronel, Center for Investigative Journalism, Philippines
Geoffrey Robertson, Queen’s Counsel, author of Media Law
Bette Bao Lord, Chairperson of Freedom House

3:45-4:15 PM Coffee and Tea Break

4:15-6:15 PM Simultaneous Sessions: Session VII. What Reforms are Necessary for an Independent, Yet Accountable Judiciary?
Moderator: Visu Sinnadurai
Speakers:
Chief Justice Irshad Hasn Khan, Pakistan
Chief Justice David Kingsley Malcolm, Western Australia
Omar Azziman, Minister of Justice, Morocco
Rogelio Perez-Perdomo, Consulting Professor, Stanford law School

Session VIII. How Does Legal Training Improve Participation in the Reform Process?
Moderator: David Varela
Commentator: L. Michael Hager, IDLI
Speakers:
Chief Justice Lado Chanturia, Georgia
Akua Kuenyehia, Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Ghana
Swithin Munyantwali, Executive Director, International Law Institute, Uganda
Sandra Oxner, Director, Commonwealth Judicial Training Institute

Session IX How does Global Knowledge Sharing Foster Civil Society Participation?
Moderator: Waleed Malik
Speakers:
Larry Prusak (pending)
Cara Odeal (pending)
Dominique Remy-Granger, Director, International Programs, Constitution Tribunal of France
Amos Wako, Attorney General, Kenya
Alfredo Hernandez Fuentes, President, Corporacion de Excelencia de la Justicia, Colombia
Wednesday, June 7th

8:30-9:00 AM  Coffee and Tea

9:00-11:45 PM  Session X.  **Plenary: How Can Effective Strategies be Developed for Law and Justice Programs? Are there Models for Legal Reform Programs?**

**Moderators:** Maria Dakolias and Lubomira Beardsley

**Commentator:** Tom Carothers (pending)

**Speakers:**
- Chief Justice Seydou Ba, President, Cour Commune de Justice et d’Arbitrage, Cote d’Ivoire
- Chief Justice Luis Paulino Mora Mora, Costa Rica
- P.N. Bhagwati, former Chief Justice of India; Chairman, Centre for the Independence of Judges and Lawyers
- Julio Faundez, Professor of Law, University of Warwick

12:00-1:15 PM  Lunch: Hisashi Owada, President, The Japan Institute of Int’l Affairs

1:30-4:00 PM  Session XI.  **Plenary: What is the Way Forward to Achieve an Agenda for a Just and Equitable Society?**

**Moderator:** Lloyd Cutler (pending)

Representatives of multilateral organizations
(AfDB, ADB, EBRD, IMF, IDB, WB)

4:15 PM  **Closing:** Ko-Yung Tung, Vice President & General Counsel, The World Bank