



CENTRE FOR GENDER STUDIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND  
AND THE FACULTY OF LAW AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND

9.30 – 12.15

UNIVERSITY CINEMA

OPENING: **Irma Erlingsdóttir**, DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRE FOR GENDER STUDIES  
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND.

ADDRESS: **Páll Skúlason**, RECTOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND.

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: **Cherie Booth**, QC: *Justice and Women: Meeting the challenge of the 21st Century.*  
**Brynhildur G. Flóvenz**, ATTORNEY, LECTURER AT THE FACULTY OF LAW,  
UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND: *The Role of Legislation in improving Women's Rights.*  
**DR. Anu Pylkkänen**, FACULTY OF LAW, UNIVERSITY OF HELSINKI:  
*The Importance of Gender in the Development of Law.*

**PANEL DISCUSSION:**

CHAIR: **Pórdís Ingadóttir**, LEGAL EXPERT AT THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE AND  
ECCLESIASTICAL AFFAIRS, FACULTY OF LAW AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND.  
**PROF. Björg Thorarensen**, FACULTY OF LAW, UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND.  
**Ingibjörg Sólrún Gísladóttir**, VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE SOCIAL  
DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE, FORMER MAYOR OF REYKJAVÍK.  
**Rachael Lorna Johnstone**, FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND LAW,  
UNIVERSITY OF AKUREYRI.  
**Sif Konráðsdóttir**, ATTORNEY AND CHAIRMAN OF THE ICELANDIC  
ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN LAWYERS.  
**Þorgeður Katrín Gunnarsdóttir**, MINISTER OF CULTURE AND EDUCATION.

12.15 – 14.00

BREAK

14.00 – 16.00

PANEL SESSIONS IN ASKJA

SESSION I – ROOM 131

*Gender Equality and International Obligations (IN ENGLISH)*

CHAIR: **Rósa G. Erlingsdóttir**, CHAIRMAN OF UNIFEM IN ICELAND, POLITICAL SCIENTIST,  
BÍFRÖST SCHOOL OF BUSINESS.

PRESENTATIONS: **DR. Oddný Mjöll Arnardóttir**, ATTORNEY, LECTURER AT THE FACULTY OF LAW,  
UNIVERSITY OF REYKJAVÍK: *Iceland and European Law.*

**Gréta Gunnarsdóttir**, MINISTER COUNSELLOR, DEPUTY HEAD OF MISSION,  
ICELANDIC MISSION TO THE EU: *Iceland and the United Nations.*

**Ragna Árnadóttir**, DIRECTOR OF LEGAL AFFAIRS AT THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE  
AND ECCLESIASTICAL AFFAIRS: *The Nordic countries as a participant in  
international co-operation.*

SESSION II – ROOM 132

*Women and the Labour Market – Conditions and Measures (IN ICELANDIC)*

CHAIR: **Lára V. Júlíusdóttir**, ATTORNEY, LECTURER AT THE FACULTY OF LAW,  
UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND.

PRESENTATIONS: **Bryndís Hlöðversdóttir**, PARLIAMENTARIAN (SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE):  
*What is needed to secure Equal Opportunities for Women and Men in the Labour Market?*

**Atli Gíslason**, ATTORNEY: *Legal Measures and Governmental Actions.*

**Þorgeður Einarsdóttir**, SOCIAL SCIENTIST, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR  
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND: *Gender-segregated Labour in Iceland:  
Characteristics and Causes.*

SESSION III – ROOM 130

*Teaching Law at Universities (IN ENGLISH)*

CHAIR: **Kolbrán Linda Ísleifsdóttir**, LAWYER, DIRECTOR OF STUDIES, FACULTY OF LAW,  
UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND.

PRESENTATIONS: **Brynhildur G. Flóvenz**, ATTORNEY, LECTURER AT THE FACULTY OF LAW,  
UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND: *The Relevance of Gender in developing and teaching Law.*

**Ingibjörg Þorsteinsdóttir**, DEAN, FACULTY OF LAW AT BÍFRÖST SCHOOL  
OF BUSINESS: *Is the curricula and/or teaching to blame?*

**Byrial Bjørst**, FACULTY OF LAW, UNIVERSITY OF COPENHAGEN: *Mainstreaming  
the Faculty of Law in Copenhagen – legal base and argumentation.*

16.00 – 17.30

CLOSING OF THE CONFERENCE AND RECEPTION

**PROF. Eiríkur Tómasson**, DEAN, FACULTY OF LAW AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND.

conference  
on

# women, power, and THE LAW

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