“Increasing cooperation between all international and regional bodies is essential to enable us to better honour and defend the enjoyment of human rights by the world’s people. I firmly believe that UN and regional human rights mechanisms must complement each other, support each other and work closely together for a common end.”
United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Zeid Ra’ad Al Hussein

“I call for stronger cooperation between global and regional mechanisms dealing with women’s rights and violence against women and for joint and complimentary use of global and regional instruments. This will ensure to synergies and accelerate implementation of all of them.”
Special Rapporteur on violence against women, Ms Dubravka Šimonovic

Objectives
• Discuss the strength and weakness of existing regional frameworks on women’s rights including elimination of violence against women
• Analyse the lessons learnt from existing cooperation between the regional and international mechanisms for the protection of women’s rights including elimination of violence against women
• Elaborate further strategies and recommendations to strengthen cooperation and synergies between global and regional mechanisms dealing with women’s rights and violence against women