## United Nations Representatives for IFSW – Asia Pacific

IFSW Asia Pacific is seeking Expressions of Interest for one **IFSW Asia Pacific Regional Commissioner** (also called Main Representative for Asia Pacific Region) and up to four **IFSW Asia Pacific Regional Representatives** to the UN Office in Bangkok. All positions are volunteer positions and the main mechanism for communication will be via email and electronic media such as teleconferences, Zoom or Skype meetings. For the Role of IFSW Asia Pacific Regional Commissioner, the person must be based in Thailand, however the other regional representative roles can come from any part of the Asia Pacific Region reflecting our unique and great diversity.

The overarching objective of IFSW representations to the UN is to represent a social work perspective to the UN and the UN Agencies and to work towards joint action based on social work principles. The IFSW UN work is led and coordinated by Priska Fleischlin within the IFSW United Nations Commission and representatives will focus on one or two themes (such as social protection, health...) that are relevant for global social work.

Please see the diagram on the next page which illustrates the Global United Nations Commission and Regional Commissioner and Representative Structure

**Key Tasks of the Regional Commissioner** are to lead the Regional Representatives and provide the main link between the Regional Representatives and the IFSW United Nations Commissioner, Priska Fleischlin.

**Key Tasks of the Regional Representatives** (4) are to maintain effective communication with the Regional Commissioner, and link with our member countries to consult and advise on the work they undertake.

**Expressions of Interest** are requested to be sent to Sonja Nissen at our Asia Pacific office <a href="mailto:asia.pacific@ifsw.org">asia.pacific@ifsw.org</a> before 31 October 2019. Please write a brief summary of why you would like to undertake this role and which position you are applying for. Please also include a letter of support from your member Association. Applications will be reviewed jointly by Priska Fleischlin (IFSW UN Commissioner), Rose Henderson (IFSW Asia Pacific Regional President) and Irene Leung (IFSW Asia Pacific Regional Vice-President) and interviews arranged as necessary.

For more information please read the role description in the attached documents.

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## IFSW UN Commissioner & Representative Structure

