



2223 Massachusetts Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20008-2864
(202) 939-6000 • Fax: (202) 797-7133
www.asil.org

For Release: February 26, 2007
Contact: Sheila Ward

+1.202.939.6018 direct
+1.202.309.0510 cell
sward@asil.org

MEDIA ADVISORY

ASIL HOSTS INT'L WOMEN'S DAY DISCUSSION ON

THE RULE OF LAW FOR WOMEN

WASHINGTON, DC – The American Society of International Law (ASIL) will host a lunchtime panel discussion, *The Rule of Law for Women: A Global Work in Progress*, on **Wednesday, March 7, noon-1:30 p.m.** (one day prior to International Women's Day 2007), at ASIL headquarters, 2223 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC. Lunch will be served at noon, and the program begins at 12:30 p.m. Members of the press and public are invited to attend this free event by registering at www.asil.org/event0307.

In many cases, nations' laws to provide protections for women exist on paper only. Two experts working to improve the status of women worldwide will lead this ASIL discussion and describe their ongoing work to make the rule of law a reality for women around the world. The panelists will be **Julia L. Ernst**, Executive Director of the Women's Law and Public Policy Fellowship Program at Georgetown Law Center, and **Ed Lijewski**, Program Specialist at the Women in Development Office of the US Agency

-MORE-

for International Development. **Susan Notar**, ASIL's Managing Editor of *International Legal Materials*, will serve as moderator.

ASIL events generally deal with one of the Society's seven program areas: Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, International Institutions, International Law and Development, International Security, Science and Technology, Trade and Investment, and Transnational Litigation and Arbitration.

ASIL is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, educational membership organization. It was founded in 1906, chartered by the U.S. Congress in 1950, and has held Category II Consultative Status to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations since 1993. ASIL's mission is to foster the study of international law and to promote the establishment and maintenance of international relations on the basis of law and justice. The Society's 4,000 members (from nearly 100 countries) comprise attorneys, academics, corporate counsel, judges, representatives of governments and nongovernmental organizations, international civil servants, students, and others interested in international law. For more information, visit www.asil.org.