



### Australian Province of the Society of Jesus – Professional Standards Consultative Panel



**Dr June Kane AM**

June Kane is an internationally respected expert in human rights, specifically in the fields of violence against children and women, child labour, sexual abuse and exploitation of children, and human trafficking. As an independent expert since 1996, Dr Kane has worked with governments, UN agencies (particularly the ILO and UNICEF), regional bodies and grassroots organisations on a wide range of initiatives. Her work has covered research and writing; strategy, programme and policy planning; capacity building; evaluation and monitoring.

From 1996 to 2001, she was spokesperson for the UN-led World Congress against Sexual Exploitation of Children, and in 2007 was spokesperson for the UN Secretary-General's Study on Violence against Children.

June has a profound understanding of current issues in child abuse and exploitation and in 2008 developed the first anti-child trafficking training manual and resource kit for UN.GIFT, the UN's global initiative to fight human trafficking. Dr Kane has written more than a dozen books in the areas of sexual abuse of children, child labour, human trafficking, domestic labour and violence against children and women.

On Australia Day 2007, Dr Kane was made a Member of the Order of Australia in recognition of her work. She is also a recipient of the Albert Schweitzer Medal for Humanitarian Action.