



### **Luz Mendez**

Luz Mendez is a feminist and peacemaker from Guatemala. She has long advocated for the recognition of women's rights in peace-building efforts and bringing to the surface a long-hidden dimension of war: sexual violence against women. Luz is renowned for being the only woman member of a delegation to sign the Peace Accords ending Guatemala's 36-year long civil war. Ms. Méndez is vice president of the executive board of the Unión Nacional de Mujeres Gaudemaltecas (UNAMG). She is also a member of the Advisory Council of the Global Fund for Women.