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OAS Headquarters

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2017

9:30 - 10:30am

Hall of the Americas

CONFERENCE OPENING

The Future of Human Rights in the Americas

Panelists:

- Luis Almagro, Secretary General, OAS
- Francisco Jose Eguiguren, IACHR President
- Roberto Figueiredo Caldas, Inter-American Court of Human Rights President
- Ambassador Ana Rosa Valdivieso, Permanent Representative of Peru to the OAS

PANEL

Balance, Challenges and Main Advances in the Inter-American Human Rights System

Moderator:

- Jean Michel Arrighi, Secretary for Legal Affairs of the OAS

Panelists:

- Margarette May Macaulay, IACHR First Vice President
- Esmeralda Arosemena de Troitiño, IACHR Second Vice President
- Eduardo Ferrer Mac-Gregor Poisot, Inter-American Court of Human Rights Vice President
- Patricio Pazmiño, Inter-Judge of American Court of Human Rights

10:30am - 12:30pm

Hall of the Americas

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2017

ROUNDTABLE

Gender, Health, Discrimination and Diversity: Challenges and Needs of Populations in Situations of Vulnerability

Objective: The panelists will discuss advances and challenges in the Americas regarding the acceptability, accessibility, availability and quality of health services for women, girls and adolescents. The panel will focus in particular on indigenous women and adolescents, African descent peoples and people with different sexual orientations and gender identities. The panelists will discuss pertinent matters to the exercise of the rights to life, to personal integrity, non-discrimination, equality, and sexual and reproductive health.

Methodology: The panelists will have ten minutes each (10') of intervention, followed by a space for debate among the participants.

Moderators:

- Margarette May Macaulay, Commissioner First Vice President of the IACHR. Rapporteur on Women and Rapporteur on the Rights of Afro-Descendants and against Racial Discrimination
- Esmeralda Arosemena de Troitiño, Commissioner Second Vice President of the IACHR. Rapporteur on the Rights of the Child
- Roberto Figueredo Caldas, President of the Inter-American Court

Panelists:

- Ambassador Jennifer May Loten, Permanent Representative of Canada to the OAS
- Anna Coates, Head of the Gender and Cultural Diversity Unit of the Pan American Health Organization
- Macarena Sáez, Center for Human Rights and Professor of Law Director
- Carmen Moreno, Executive Secretary, Inter-American Commission of Women
- Mauricio Rands, Secretary of Access to Rights and Equity of the OAS
- James Anaya, Dean, University of Colorado Boulder Law School; former United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (2008-2014)

Organizers: IACHR, Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

2:00 - 4:00 pm
Salón Padhila
Vidal

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2017

EXPERT CONSULTATION

Corruption and Human Rights

Part 1: By invitation only

Objective: The objectives of the event are: a) to support OHCHR / IACHR in responding to the challenges that corruption in the Americas increasingly presents on governance, the rule of law and political rights; b) to discuss and strengthen the messages of OHCHR / IACHR on the importance of placing human rights at the center of the fight against corruption; c) to identify possible good practices in the fight against corruption to be replicated in the region; and d) to find the best practices to guarantee the protection of those who report cases of corruption.

Methodology: Closed activity for invited guests of the United Nations, I/A Court H.R., IACHR, DPLF, WOLA and Inter-American Dialogue.

Organizers: IACHR, I-A Court HR and OHCHR. **Sponsors:** WOLA, Open Society Justice Initiative, Inter-American Dialogue and DPLF.

2:00 - 4:00 pm
Salón
Guerrero

LUNES 4 DE DICIEMBRE DE 2017

ROUNDTABLE

New Paradigms on Drugs and Human Rights in the Americas + Launch of the IAHRC Report on Reduction of the Use of Preventive Prison

Objectives: Discuss the drug issue in the region, related to violence, crime and mass incarceration; as well as addressing these challenges from a human rights perspective. In addition, the recent report of the IACHR on "Measures to Reduce Pretrial Detention in the Americas" will be presented.

Methodology: 4 hours activity, divided into three sessions. The first two are related to the issue of drugs and human rights, and the third consists of the launching of the recent report of the IACHR on preventive detention.

2:00 - 4:00 pm
Salón Bolívar

Moderator:

- James L. Cavallaro, Commissioner Rapporteur on the Rights of Persons Deprived of Liberty, IACHR

Panelists:

- Dr. Carl Hart, Chair of the Department of Psychology, Columbia University
- Coletta Youngers, Senior Researcher, The Washington Office on Latin America "WOLA"
- Corina Giacomello, Researcher, Equis Justicia para las Mujeres
- Diego Olivera, Secretary General, National Board of drugs, Uruguay
- Oscar Cabrera, Director Ejecutivo del O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law, Universidad de Georgetown
- Sergio Chaparro, Principal researcher, Dejusticia
- Mario Coriolano, Member of the Advisory Committee of the UN Human Rights Council

Organizers: IACHR.

ROUNDTABLE

Right of Refugees and Stateless Persons in the Americas: Laws Analysis of Nationality Laws, the International Refugee Law and the IAHR Standards

Objectives: To analyze the different rights established in the instruments and jurisprudential developments of the Inter-American System for the Protection of Human Rights, its link with the International Law of Refugees, on Statelessness and the pronouncements of the UNHCR on these matters. To know the strengths and weaknesses that exist in the nationality regimes in Colombia, Chile and Brazil, as well as the disproportionate impact that these weaknesses have on indigenous groups, ethnic minorities, migrants, internally displaced persons and especially children.

Methodology: The panelists will have ten minutes (10') of intervention followed by a time to debate among the participants of the event.

Moderator:

- Luis Ernesto Vargas, Commissioner Rapporteur on the Rights of Migrants, Refugees and Victims of Trafficking in Persons, IACHR
- Eduardo Ferrer Mac-Gregor Poisot, Vice President of the I/A Court H.R.

Panelists:

A- Launch of the report "Presentation of the Report" Born in the Americas: Promise and practice of the nationality laws in Brazil, Chile and Colombia"

- Juliana Vengoechea, Official Legal, Open Society Justice Initiative
- Macarena Rodriguez, Legal Clinic of Attention to Migrants of the Alberto Hurtado University Director

B- Presentation of the technical files on the IAHR Standards and the protection of persons of interest to UNHCR

- Luis Diego Obando, Regional Legal Officer, UNHCR
- Francisco Quintana, Director of the Program for the Andean Region, North America and the Caribbean CEJIL

Organizers: IACHR, UNHCR, CEJIL, Red Ana, Open Society Justice Initiative

2:00 - 4:00 pm
Salón de Las
Américas

LUNES 4 DE DICIEMBRE DE 2017

ROUNDTABLE

Disappeared People in America: Presentation of the "Missing Persons Project" of the International Committee of the Red Cross

Objective: To launch the "MISSING PERSONS PROJECT" of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC).

Methodology: The panelists will have fifteen minutes (15') to make their respective presentations, followed by a space for discussion with the participants.

Moderator:

- Paulo Vannuchi, Commissioner in Charge of the Unit of Truth, Memory and Justice and Unit on Elderly People.

Presenters:

- Rafael Barrantes, Regional Advisor for the programs on missing persons of the ICRC in the Americas.
- Rocío Maldonado, Legal Advisor of the Regional Delegation of the ICRC for Mexico, Central America and Cuba.

Organizers: IACHR and International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC).

2:00 - 4:00 pm
Salón 804

ROUNDTABLE

Access to Information and Transparency related to Extractive Activities and Affectation of the Rights of Environment Defenders

Objectives: To report about the violation of the right to prior consultation and the participation of indigenous people in the Amazon basin, as a component of the criminalization of indigenous defenders.

Methodology: The participants will have ten minutes (10') of intervention followed by a time to debate among the assistants.

Moderator:

- Jose de Jesús Orozco Henríquez, Commissioner Rapporteur on Human Rights Defenders, IACHR

Panelists:

- Ricardo Pérez, *Derecho Ambiente y Recursos Naturales (DAR)*
- Carol González Aguilar, *Coordinadora de Organizaciones Indígenas de la Cuenca Amazónica (COICA)*
- Bienvenido Ramirez, Public Policies Observatory, Dominican Republic
- Manfredo Roberto Marroquin, *Accion Ciudadana, Guatemala*
- Pia Marchegiani, *Fundación Ambiente y Recursos Naturales (FARN), Argentina* (by Skype)
- Daniel Cerqueira, Due Process of Law Foundation (DPLF)
- Salvador Herencia, Human Rights Clinic of the University of Ottawa, Canada
- Alexandra Montgomery, ESCR- NET

Organizers: Environmental Law and Natural Resources - DAR; Coordinator of Indigenous Organizations of the Amazon Basin - COICA and Due Process of Law Foundation - DPLF.

2:00 - 4:00 pm
Salón Rubén
Darío

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2017

ROUNDTABLE

Defenders of Human Rights in the Central American North Triangle: Risks and Challenges

Objective: To share the experiences of people who are dedicated to the defense of human rights, through the eyes of defenders of the region, who will explain about the risks, threats and challenges in the exercise of defense. Disseminate and socialize collaborative work tools, such as the "Central American Portal for Human Rights and Democracy", a virtual space aimed at human rights defenders that promotes the dissemination and exchange of information, research, analysis, reflection, learning and promotion of networks on human rights and democracy in the region. Indicate the greatest risks and challenges in the defense of human rights in the sub region of the Central American North Triangle.

Methodology: The Panelists will have fifteen minutes (15') of intervention, followed by a debate with the participants.

Moderator:

- Jose de Jesús Orozco Henríquez, Commissioner Rapporteur on Defenders of Human Rights.

Panelists:

- William Marroquin, Engineer and specialist in Technology and Informatics at UCA
- Marcia Aguiluz, Program Director for Central America and Mexico, CEJIL
- Paola Salazar, Pan American Development Foundation (PADF)

Organizers: Central American University José Simeón Cañas (UCA), El Salvador; Institute for Human Rights (IDHUCA), and the Pan American Development Foundation (PADF), with the support of the People's Agency of the United States of America (USAID) and the IACHR.

4:00 - 6:00 pm
Padhila Vidal

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2017

ROUNDTABLE

Corruption and Human Rights

Part 2: event open to the public

Objectives: The objectives of the event are: a) to support OHCHR / IACHR in responding to the challenges that corruption in the Americas increasingly presents on governance, the rule of law and political rights; b) to discuss and strengthen the messages of OHCHR / IACHR on the importance of placing human rights at the center of the fight against corruption; c) to identify possible good practices in the fight against corruption to be replicated in the region; and d) find the best practices to guarantee the protection of those who report cases of corruption.

Methodology: The panelists will have ten minutes (10 ') of intervention, followed by a debate with the participants

Moderators:

- Paulo Abrão, IACHR Executive Secretary.
- Katya Salazar, Executive Director of DPLF

Opening words:

- Francisco Jose Eguiguren Praeli, President Commissioner, IACHR.
- Roberto Figueredo Caldas, President of the Inter-American Court.
- Ambassador Ana Rosa Valdivieso, Permanent Representative of Peru at OAS.
- Amerigo Incalcaterra, Regional Representative for South America - OHCHR.
- Alberto Brunori, Regional Representative for Central America - OHCHR.

Panelists:

- Douglas Melendez, Attorney General of El Salvador
- Pablo Sanchez, Attorney General of Peru
- Erik Witte, Open Society
- Claudia Escobar, Ex Magistrate of Guatemala
- Fernando Carrillo Flórez, General Attorney of Colombia

Organizers: IACHR, I-A Court HR and OHCHR. **Sponsors:** WOLA, Open Society Justice Initiative, Inter-American Dialogue and DPLF.

4:00 - 6:00 pm
Salón de las
Américas

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2017

ROUNDTABLE

Sexual and Reproductive Rights from an Economic, Social, Cultural and Environmental Rights Approach

Objectives: Analyze and evaluate the developments so far produced within the framework of systems for the protection of human rights, with special emphasis on the inter-American system. Detect trends in the development of the right to sexual and reproductive health from an economic, social, cultural and environmental rights approach that allows for agreeing the next steps for their best protection in the region.

Methodology: The panelists will make interventions of ten minutes (10') each, followed by a debate with the participants.

Moderator:

- Margarette May Macaulay, Commissioned First Vice-President of the IACHR, and Rapporteur for the Rights of Women

Panelists:

- Soledad García, Special Rapporteur of economic, social, cultural and environmental rights of the IACHR.
- Monica Roa, Consultant of O'Neil Institute for National and Global Health Law at Georgetown
- Mauricio Albarracín, Representative of Dejusticia-El Espectador.
- Luz Patricia Mejía, Representative of the IACW.
- Oscar Cabrera, Executive Director of the O'Neill Institute at Georgetown University.
- Catalina Martínez Coral, Representative of the Center for Reproductive Rights.

Organizers: Amnesty International (AI), the Center for Reproductive Rights (CDR), the O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law at Georgetown (O'Neill Institute), Planned Parenthood Global, CIM.

4:00 - 6:00 pm
Rubén Darío

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2017

ROUNDTABLE

Advances and Setbacks in the Protection of the Rights of LGBTI Persons in the Americas

Objective: In recent years, despite progress made in legislation, public policies and judicial recognition in a large number of countries in the region, LGBTI people continue to face great challenges related to violence and discrimination in all the countries of the continent.

Methodology: The panelists will make interventions of ten minutes (10') each, followed by a debate with the participants. Three aspects will be addressed:

- Situation of LGBTI children and adolescents
- Economic, Social, Cultural and Environmental Rights
- Situation of discrimination and violence against LGBTI people

Moderators:

- Esmeralda Arosemena de Troitiño, Commissioner Rapporteur on the Rights of the Child
- Patricio Pazmiño, Judge of I-A Court HR

Panelists:

- Ambassador Jorge Lomónaco Tonda, Permanent Representative of Mexico to the OAS.
- Amber Alfaro, national coordinator on advocacy, ASPIDH (solidarity Association for human development), REDLACTRANS, El Salvador.
- Mirtha Moragas Mereles, lawyer, Aireana, group for the rights of lesbians, Paraguay.
- Yonatan Matheus, founder and CEO, diverse Venezuela B.C. co-founder, Venezuelans and Immigrants Aid.
- Fanny Catalina Gómez-Lugo, Director of policy and advocacy, Synergia - initiatives for human rights

Organizers: Coalition of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Organizations (LGBTITI) with work within the framework of the OAS, which groups 52 non-governmental organizations in 27 countries of Latin America and the Caribbean in defense of rights humans of these populations.

4:00 - 6:00 pm
Salón
Guerrero

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2017

ROUNDTABLE

Symbolic Repair: a Contribution from Art and Memory Studies

Objectives: The object of work is to formulate effective programs of symbolic reparation as part of integral reparations, especially in places of conscience and memory, and with memory practices. Promote an effective follow-up of the recommendations referring to the symbolic reparations of victims of human rights violations. Establish guiding principles regarding memorialization practices that actively promote a constructive social dialogue and according to principles of transitional justice.

Moderator:

- Paulo Vannuchi, Commissioner in Charge of the Thematic Unit on Memory, Truth and Justice and of the Unit on Elderly People IACHR.

Panelists:

- Elizabeth Abi-Mershed, Assistant Executive Secretary for Cases, Petitions and Precautionary Measures.
- Jose Luis Falconi, Art Life Laboratory Director.
- Luisa Ferreira Peralta, Georgetown University.
- Robin Greeley, University of Connecticut.
- Michael Orwicz, University of Connecticut.
- Ana Maria Reyes, Boston University.
- Fernando Rosenberg, Brandeis University.

Organizers: Symbolic Reparations Research Project, Connecticut University, Georgetown University, Boston University, Art life Laboratory and Brandeis University.

4:00 - 6:00 pm
Salón 804

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2017

9:00 - 10.30am

Hall of the Americas

PANEL 1

The Effectiveness of the Inter-American System: Experiences with National Legislation for Compliance with Decisions and Recommendations

Moderator:

- Pablo Saavedra, Executive Secretary of I.A Court of HR.

Panelists:

- Héctor Arce Zaconeta, Minister of Justice and institutional Transparency of the Plurinational State of Bolivia
- Andre de Carvalho Ramos, Secretary of Human Rights and Advocacy of the General Attorney of the Republic of Brazil
- Ambassador Andrés González, Permanent Representative of Colombia to the OAS
- Eugenia Gutiérrez Ruiz, Director Legal Department of the Ministry of Foreign Relations of Costa Rica
- Damian Miguel Loreti, Board of Directors of the Center for Legal and Social Studies (CELS)
- Carlos Ayala, Executive Committee of the International Commission of Jurists
- Alejandro Malambo, Coordinator of international litigation of the Colombian Commission of Jurists
- Katya Salazar, Executive Director of the Due Process of Law Foundation (DPLF)

10:30am - 12.30pm

Hall of the Americas

PANEL 2

The Effectiveness of the Inter-American System: Experiences with Official Institutional Systems and Mechanisms for Compliance with Decisions and Recommendations

Moderator:

- Paulo Abrão, Executive Secretary of the IACHR

Panelists:

- Ambassador Juan José Arcuri, Permanent Representative to the OAS of Argentina
- Beatriz Contreras Reyes, Chief of the Inter-American System of Human rights of the Department of Foreign Relations of Chile
- Lucero de Fatima Hinojosa, Secretary of Government of Mexico
- Salvador Sánchez, Deputy Minister of the Presidency of Panama
- Ambassador Federico A. González, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs of Paraguay
- Viviana Krsticevic, Executive Director of the Center For Justice and International Law (CEJIL)
- Carlos Correa, Director of *Espacio Publico*
- Liliana Gamboa, Advocacy Officer of Open Society Justice Initiative

WORKSHOP

The Implementation of Decisions and Friendly Settlements before the IAHR Bodies

Objective: Reflect between different actors and from different angles on the challenges and difficulties in implementing the decisions and friendly and the solutions of the organs of the Inter-American Human Rights System. Thus, the discussion will aim to reflect, mainly, what are the difficulties and challenges in the implementation and monitoring of the measures that involve the design and implementation of public policies, regulatory changes, decisions making or rules void, health care, search for missing persons, the duty to investigate, compensation, community funds, realization of monuments or delivery of housing among others

Methodology: Two panelists will briefly present the topics (12') minutes in order to encourage a broad dialogue for 25 minutes between the different participants and panelists.

- 1. The mechanisms for supervising compliance with decisions of the IDH Commission and judgments of the Inter-American Court. A look at how the organs perform the supervision of their decisions. (2:00 p.m. to 2:50 p.m.)**

Moderator: Mariela Morales, Representative of the Max Planck Institute for comparative public law and international law

Panelists:

- Eduardo Ferrer Mac-Gregor Poisot, Vice President of I/A Court H.R.
- Francisco José Eguiguren Praeli, Commissioner President IACHR

- 2. The perspective of the representatives of the victims in the implementation of decisions of the organs. Problems, challenges and recommendations for the organs. (2:50 PM to 3:40 PM)**

Moderator: Diego Rodríguez Pinzón, Professor of American University Washington College of Law and Co-Director of the Academy of Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law of AU.

Panelists:

- Ciro Colombara, Partner of Rivadeneira Colombara Zegers and representative of Asociación Probono Chile.
- Viviana Krsticevic, Executive Director of CEJIL.

2:00 - 7:00 pm
Salón de las
Américas

Space of 25 minutes for dialogue, questions and comments from the participants. 10-minute break

3. The perspective of the States in the implementation of the decisions of the organs. Problems, challenges and recommendations for the organs. (3:40 a.m. to 4:40 p.m.)

Moderator: Magdalena Cervantes, Observatory of the Inter-American Human Rights System, Institute of Legal Research of the UNAM.

Panelists:

- Ambassador Margarita Manjarrez, Coordinator of the follow-up to international recommendations on human rights of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Colombia
- Farah Diva Urrutia, Director General of Legal Affairs and Treaties, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Panama

4. Friendly solutions before the organs of the system. Mechanisms and Challenges for the implementation of friendly settlement agreements. (4: 40- p.m. to 6:00 p.m.)

Moderator: María Claudia Pulido, Deputy Executive Secretary of Monitoring, Promotion, Technical Cooperation, Public Policies and Follow-up

Panelists:

- Uriel Salas, Secretariat of Foreign Relations of México
- Rafael Barrios, *Colectivo de Abogados*

5. The role of national human rights institutions and official public defenders in the implementation of the decisions of the organs of the system. How national institutions could be better used in implementing the decisions and friendly solutions of the organs of the system. (6:15 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.)

Moderator: Aníbal Pérez-Liñán, Professor of Political Science at the University of Pittsburgh.

Panelist:

- Monserrat Solano Carboni, Defender of the Inhabitants of the Republic of Costa Rica
- Constanza de la Fuente Montt, Regional head of the National Institute of Human Rights of Chile

20 minutes space for questions and group discussion

PARTICIPANTS OF THE WORKSHOP

- Esmeralda Arosemena de Troitiño, Commissioner second Vice President of the IACHR. Rapporteur on the rights of the child
- Joel Hernandez Garcia, Commissioner elect
- Flavia Piovesan, Commissioner elect
- Antonia Urrejola, Commissioner elect

- Pablo Saavedra Alessandri, Executive Secretary of the I/A Court H.R
- Marie-Christine Fuchs, Director of the Konrad-Adenauer Foundation Program
- Daniel Pinilla, Project Coordinator, Konrad-Adenauer Foundation
- Juan de Dios García Xajil, General Director of the Association for the Integral Development of the Victims of Violence in the Verapaces Maya Achi (ADIVIMA)
- Carlos Chen Osorio, *Asociación para el Desarrollo Integral de las Víctimas de la Violencia en las Verapaces (ADIVIMA)*
- Alejandra Gonza, Director of the International Human Rights Clinic, University of Washington School of Law
- Carlos Ayala Corao, former President of the IACHR and member of the International Commission of Jurists
- Pablo Menacho Diederich, *Procurador General del Estado de Bolivia*
- Roberto Arce Brozek, *Director General de Defensa en Derechos Humanos y Medio Ambiente*
- Ernesto Rossell Arteaga, *Subprocurador de Defensa y Representación Legal del Estado*
- Antonio Ortiz Sanjines, *Jefe Unidad de Casos en Etapa de Admisibilidad*
- Abraham Alvarenga Urbina, *Agente Procurador General de la República de Honduras*
- Ricardo Lara Watson y Nelson Gerardo Molina Flores, Agentes Alternos de la Procuraduría General de Honduras
- Douglass Cassel, Center for Civil and Human Rights, Notre Dame Law School
- Paola Limón, Investigadora senior del Centro de Derechos Humanos de la Universidad de Essex
- Gabriela Pacheco, Attorney of The unit of Supervision of compliance of sessions of the Inter-American Court
- Ángela Ramírez, Agency of the legal defense of the State of Colombia

Organizers: I-A Court HR, IACHR, Max Planck Institute for International Public Law and Comparative Public Law, Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2017

CONSULTATION

Joint Action Mechanism Between IACHR and OHCHR to Protect Human Rights Defenders

Objective: Present the mechanism and obtain inputs from civil society organizations regarding their participation and / or collaboration within the framework of the Joint Actions Mechanism of the IACHR / OHCHR.

Methodology: The presenters will have fifteen minutes (15') of intervention, followed by which the discussion session and the participants' considerations will begin.

Presenters :

- José de Jesús Orozco Henríquez, Commissioner Rapporteur on Defenders of Human Rights of the IACHR
- Amerigo Incalcaterra, Regional Representative for South America - OHCHR.
- Alberto Brunori, Regional Representative OACNUDH.
- Paulo Abrão, Executive Secretary of the IACHR.
- María Claudia Pulido, Deputy Executive Secretary of Monitoring, Promotion, Technical Cooperation, Public Policies and Follow-up

Organizers: IACHR and OHCHR.

2:00 - 4:00 pm
Salón Bolívar

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2017

PRESENTATION AND OPEN CONSULTATION

ESCERSR Strategic Agenda + Business and Human Rights in the Region

Objective: Presentation by the Special Rapporteurship ESCER (ESCERSR) and collection of inputs for the preparation of the thematic report on Business and Human Rights.

Methodology: Within the framework of the open consultation, a brief presentation of the Special Rapporteurship ESCER (ESCERSR) of the IACHR will be held, after which the participants will have three minutes (3') to present their considerations regarding the following provocative questions:

1. What are the priority challenges that must be addressed by the Special Rapporteurship ESCER (ESCERSR) in the exercise of its mandate, in accordance with the IACHR Strategic Plan 2017/2021 and the current operative capacity of the Rapporteurship?
2. What is the expected added value of the thematic focus of ESCERSR in the framework of the preparation of the report on Business and Human Rights for the Americas? Additionally, what are the main thematic axes that should be addressed in this report?
3. What cooperation and synergy schemes would be feasible and necessary to strengthen the activities of ESCERSR and generate greater impact in the hemisphere?

It is expected to have the presence of Representatives of States, Civil Society, social movements, academia, trade unions, experts and experts in the field; and the general public.

Moderator: Soledad García Muñoz Special Rapporteur ESCER.

Organizers: IACHR y ESCERSR - IACHR.

2:00 - 4:00 pm
Rubén Darío

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2017

CONVERSATORY

Challenges for the Universalization of the IASHR in the Caribbean

Objectives: Generate a space for dialogue aimed at universalizing the IAHRs with the Caribbean States.

Methodology: Realization of a dialogue between members of the Inter-American Court, the IACHR and the Representatives of the Caribbean States.

Moderators:

- Margarete May Macaulay, Commissioner First Vice-President of the IACHR and Rapporteur for the Rights of Women
- James Cavallaro, Commissioner of the IACHR and Rapporteur for the Rights of People Deprived of Liberty

Participants:

- Audrey Patrice Marks, Ambassador of the State of Jamaica to the OAS
- Santiago Canton, former Executive Secretary of the IACHR
- Bruno Rodriguez Reveggino, Attorney at I.A Court HR

Organizers: IACHR, IA Court HR.

2:00 - 4:00 pm
Salón 804

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2017

GQUAL ROUNDTABLE

Achieving a Geographical, Legal and Gender Balance in the Representation of the Organs Of the Inter- American Human Rights System

(GQUAL Campaign)

Objectives: This event seeks to unite civil society, the government, the academy, and the stakeholders of international organizations to discuss the implementation of strategies for AG / RES. 2908 (XLVII-O / 17). Civil society organizations will share good practices and obtain information on the CAJP's plans to develop guidelines on electoral processes.

Moderator:

- Claudia Martin, Professor of *American University*
- Roberto Figuereido Caldas, President of The I/A Court HR
- Esmeralda Arosemena de Troitiño, Commissioner Vice President second of the IACHR

Panelists:

- Viviana Krsticevic, Executive Director of the Center for Justice and international law
- Elsa Meany, Senior lawyer of the Center for Justice and international law
- Claudia Martin, Co-Director, Academy of human rights and Right humanitarian American University Washington College of Law
- Ambassador Diego Pary, Permanent Representative of the State of Bolivia to the OAS
- Ambassador Jennifer May Loten, Permanent Representative of Canada to the OAS
- Ambassador Jorge Lomónaco, Permanent Representative of Mexico to the OEA
- Ambassador Hugo Cayrus Maurin, Permanent Representative of Uruguay to the OAS

Organizer: CEJIL.

2:00 - 4:00 pm
Salón Padhila
Vidal

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2017

ROUNDTABLE

Poverty and Human Rights in the Americas + Launch of the Report

Objectives: Presentation of the final version of the reference Report. The process for the elaboration of this thematic report began in 2015, and its preparation represents a first opportunity for the Inter-American System to deepen the theme from a human rights perspective, analyzing the effects of poverty and extreme poverty on the enjoyment and exercise of those rights. The report also presents an opportunity to develop the legal framework that generates international responsibility of the States in this matter, as well as clear standards to face the obstacles encountered by the more than 165 million people in the hemisphere who live in poverty and around 69 million in extreme poverty.

Methodology: The panelists will have fifteen minutes (15') of intervention followed by which a debate will begin among the participants.

Moderator:

- Paulo Vannuchi, Commissioner, former in charge of the Unit on Economic, Social, Cultural and Environmental Rights
- Eduardo Ferrer Mac-Gregor Poisot, Vice President of the I/A Court H.R.

Panelists:

- James L. Cavallaro, Commissioner of the IACHR
- Paulo Abrão, Executive Secretary of the IACHR
- Amerigo Incalcaterra, Regional Representative OACNUDH
- Soledad García Muñoz, DESCA IACHR Special Rapporteur
- Ambassador Juan Anibal Barría, Permanent Representative of Chile to the OAS
- Ambassador Elisa Ruiz Díaz Bareiro, Permanent Representative of Paraguay to the OAS
- Ambassador Marco Vinicio Albuja Martínez, Permanent Representative of Ecuador to the OAS
- Emilio Alvarez Icaza, Former Executive Secretary of the IACHR

Organizer: IACHR

4:00 - 6:00 pm
Salón Bolívar

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2017

ROUNDTABLE

Due Criminal Process in the Americas

Objective: Conduct an analysis of the substantial changes that have occurred in the penal systems of the countries of Latin America in the due process in the new existing regulatory framework

Methodology: The panelists will have fifteen minutes (15 ') of intervention followed by which a debate will begin among the participants.

Moderator: Luis Ernesto Vargas, Commissioner Rapporteur on the Rights of Migrants, Refugees and Victims of Trafficking in Persons.

Panelists:

- Ana Dulce Aguilar, Project Director, Institute of Criminal Justice of Mexico
- Isadora Fingermann, Former Executive Director of the Instituto de Defesa do Direito de Defesa de Brasil
- Carolina Villadiego Burbano, Director of the Justice Program, Dejusticia
- Rebecca Shaffer, Senior Specialist in legal and policy issues at Fair Trail International (Washington)

Organizers: Dejusticia, IJPP, Fair Trails, IACHR

4:00 - 6:00 pm
Salón 804

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2017

ROUNDTABLE

The Inter-American Convention against Racism, Racial Discrimination and Related Forms of Intolerance: Challenges and Opportunities for its Implementation

Objectives: Contribute to the analysis of the Inter-American Convention against Racism, Racial Discrimination and Related Intolerance: Challenges and opportunities for its implementation.

Methodology: The panelists will have fifteen minutes (15') of intervention followed by which a debate will begin among the participants.

Moderator: Margarette May Macaulay, Commissioner First Vice President Rapporteur on the Rights of Afro-Descendants and Against Racial Discrimination of the IACHR.

Panelists:

- Hugo Cayrus Maurin, Ambassador, Permanent Representative, Mission of Uruguay to the OAS
- Rita Marí Hernández Bolaños, Ambassador, Alternate Representative, Mission of Costa Rica to the OAS
- Carlos Quesada, Executive Director of the Institute on Race, Equality and Human Rights
- Erlendy Cuero Bravo, Vice President of the National Association of Displaced Afro-Colombians (AFRODES)
- Mirtha Colón, President of the Central American Black Organization (CABO)
- Doudou Diène, former Special Rapporteur of Nations together envelope of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related contemporary forms of intolerance

Organizers: IACHR, International Institute on Race, Equality and Human Rights (Race & Equality).

4:00 - 6:00 pm
Salón Padhila
Vidal

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2017

ROUNDTABLE

The Autonomy of Prosecutors and fight against impunity in the Americas: Reflections, Challenges and the Role of the IASHR

Objective: The event proposes to take a look at how the Inter-American Human Rights System - through the Commission and the Court - has advanced in the construction of standards applicable to all justice operators, and with respect to specific standards on the autonomy of the prosecutors and prosecutors, along the lines of the United Nations Special Rapporteurship on the Independence of Magistrates and Lawyers, and the reports of the Venice Commission. Likewise, the event seeks to reflect on the effects that the lack of autonomy of prosecutors produces in the fight against impunity in the countries of the region.

Moderator:

- José de Jesús Orozco Henríquez, Commissioner Rapporteur on Defenders of Human Rights of the IACHR

Panelists:

- Jan-Michael Simon, Specialist in International Criminal Law, Max Planck Institute, Germany
- Marco Fandiño, Director of Studies and Projects of the Justice Studies Center of the Americas -CEJA
- Representative of the collective *#FiscalíaQueSirva, México*
- Arturo Aguilar, Political Officer of the International Commission against Impunity in Guatemala (TBC)
- André de Carvalho Ramos, Secretary of Human Rights of the *Procuraduría General (General Prosecutor)* of Brazil

Organizers: Foundation for Justice and the Democratic State of Law (FJEDD), Due Process of Law Foundation (DPLF), Washington Office on Latin American (WOLA), Justice Studies Center of the Americas (JSCA).

4:00 - 6:00 pm
Salón Rubén
Darío