

The Rule of Law: dispatches from the global frontlines

14 March 2018, 14:30 to 16:00 - Room XXIV, Palais des Nations

The rule of law is under attack and human rights and human rights defenders everywhere are at risk, whether as targets or "collateral damage".

The human rights movement has overcome similar challenges in the past. This side event to the 37th session of the Human Rights Council will discuss the situation today and lessons from the ICJ's history since its founding in 1952.

ICJ's regional directors, gathering in Geneva from around the world, will provide a unique snapshot of the "state of the world" for rule of law and human rights, from ICJ's position on the global frontlines of the struggle to defend essential legal safeguards:

- Saïd Benarbia, Director for Middle East North Africa
- Ramón Cadena Rámila, Director for Central America
- Róisín Pillay, Director for Europe and Central Asia
- Frederick Rawski, Director for Asia and Pacific
- Arnold Tsunga, Director for Africa

Moderator: Saman Zia-Zarifi, Secretary General

In addition to highlighting the global and regional trends, specific examples for discussion include Azerbaijan, Cambodia, China, Egypt, Guatemala, Honduras, Hungary, Kenya, Lesotho, Libya, Myanmar, the Philippines, Poland, the Russian Federation, South Sudan, Swaziland, Syria, Thailand, Turkey, the United States of America, Venezuela and Zimbabwe.

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