



Combating impunity for unlawful killings

13:30 on Thursday 12 September 2019

Room XVI, Palais des Nations, Geneva

The International Commission of Jurists (ICJ) invites you to a discussion of new tools to assist investigation and accountability for extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions, and other potentially unlawful deaths.

ICJ's new **Practitioners' Guide No 14** on the Investigation and Prosecution of Unlawful Death helps legal practitioners ensure that investigation and accountability processes are implemented in accordance with international human rights law. The Guide elaborates on the **revised Minnesota Protocol on the Investigation of Potentially Unlawful Death (2016)**, a set of practical standards and guidelines that was updated by former UN Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions, Christof Heyns, and published by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) in 2017.

The panel discussion will highlight key elements of the Protocol and Practitioners Guide, and their relevance to cases such as the 2016 killing of political commentator, Kem Ley, in Cambodia and the 2018 killing of Saudi Journalist, Jamal Khashoggi in Turkey.

Panelists:

Agnes Callamard, Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions (by video conference, TBC).

Stuart Maslen, Honorary Professor, Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria.

Kingsley Abbott, Senior Legal Adviser & Coordinator of the ICJ's Global Accountability Initiative.

Moderator:

Carolina Villadiego, ICJ Legal and Policy Adviser, Latin America

Printed copies of the ICJ's Practitioners' Guide No 14 on the Investigation and Prosecution of Unlawful Death will be available.

Room XVI is on the 5th floor of Building A, behind the Assembly Hall, accessible by the elevators at the Salle des Pas Perdus.