

A DISCUSSION ON

Current Challenges to the Independence of Judges and Lawyers



SIDE-EVENT TO THE 53RD SESSION OF THE UN HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL

The International Bar Association Human Rights Institute (IBAHRI) and the International Commission of Jurists (ICJ) organise a discussion around the first report of the UN Special Rapporteur on the Independence of Judges and Lawyers, Ms. Margaret Satterthwaite, "Reimagining justice: confronting contemporary challenges to the independence of judges and lawyers" that will be presented at the upcoming 53rd session of the Human Rights Council.

The side-event will provide a space for international and national legal practitioners to discuss the priorities outlined in the Report of the Special Rapporteur, to give concrete examples of challenges based on selected contexts, as well as avenues to address the most pressing needs and concerns related to the administration of justice and the independence of judges and lawyers.



Room XXV,
Palais des Nations



26 June 2023
15:00 to 16:00

PANEL

KEYNOTE SPEECH

"Reimagining justice: confronting contemporary challenges to the independence of judges and lawyers"

MS. MARGARET SATTERTHWAITE

UN Special Rapporteur on the Independence of Judges and Lawyers

Case Studies by regional and national legal practitioners, and their experiences in specific contexts:

Ms. Raquel Saveedra - Myanmar

Ms. Carolina Villadiago Burbano - Venezuela

Mr. Edre Olalia - Philippines

Mr. Illia Salei - Belarus

Ms. Fida Hammami - Tunisia

CONCLUDING REMARKS

Mr. Ian Seiderman,

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