

Side-Event on Freedoms of Peaceful Assembly and of Association in the Context of Natural Resource Exploitation

Thursday, 18 June 2015

15:00 – 17:00

Room XVII, Palais des Nations, Geneva

Speakers

Maina Kiai, UN Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association

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Luis Espinosa Salas, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the UN in Geneva

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Moderator

Geneviève Paul, Head of Globalisation and Human Rights desk at FIDH

In his thematic report to the Human Rights Council, the Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association examines the exercise of the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association in the context of natural resource exploitation. These rights ensure that those affected by natural resource exploitation decisions can express their views whether individually or in association with others. In this side-event, participants will discuss challenges faced in this context and recommendations to ensure compliance of the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association norms and standards by State and non-State actors, in particular corporations.

The side event will be webcasted. English/French interpretation will be provided.

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