ASEAN Human Rights Declaration: Bringing “ASEAN Way” in line with Universal Standards and Principles

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13h00 - 15h00
Room XI (11), Palais des Nations

The ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights (AICHR), a relatively new and developing sub-regional human rights mechanism, is mandated to produce an ASEAN Human Right Declaration, the final draft of which is to be submitted to the ASEAN Ministerial Meeting in July 2012. As emphasized by the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, Navi Pillay, in her press release on 11 May 2012, a transparent process of inclusive and meaningful consultation on the draft is key in ensuring that the Declaration has the ownership and support of the peoples of Southeast Asia. AICHR, however, has failed to meet this very basic call so far. Against this backdrop, this parallel event is to inform the Council members and observers on the recent developments in the drafting process of the Declaration and highlight the concerns and recommendations from civil society.

Panelists

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Sandwiches and refreshments will be served.
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