

Invitation to a side event to the 25th Human Rights Council session:

The Rule of Law and Human Rights in Myanmar

Wednesday, 12 March 2014, 16.00 – 18.00 pm, Geneva, Palais des Nations, Room XXII

The members of this panel are in a unique position to highlight on-going challenges to the rule of law in Myanmar and their impact on the enjoyment of human rights. They will provide personal insight into the important international presence for human rights monitoring, practical challenges facing lawyers concerning the rule of law, and link these issues to sustainable economic development on the ground in Myanmar today. This panel argues that it is crucial to maintain a robust engagement with the UN human rights mechanisms in order to support and facilitate the reform process in Myanmar and improve the country's human rights situation.

Speakers:

Tomás Ojea Quintana, UN Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar

Kyaw Min San, Myanmar lawyer, Pyoe Pin and Justice For All

Daniel Aguirre, International Commission of Jurists (ICJ), Myanmar

Chair/moderator:

Carlos Lopez, International Commission of Jurists

The presentations by panellists will be followed by an open interaction with the audience. Copies of the recent ICJ report *Right to Counsel: The Independence of Lawyers in Myanmar* will be available.