



Dialogue in Support of Freedom of Conscience, Religion or Belief and Pluralism in the Americas

September 29, 2023 | 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. EST

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Agenda

9:30 - 9:55 | Introduction and Welcome

- Maricarmen Plata, OAS Secretary for Access to Rights and Equity
- Rashad Hussain, U.S. Ambassador at Large for International Religious Freedom
- H.E. Sebastián Kraljevich, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Chile to the OAS
- Nazila Ghanea, U.N Special Rapporteur for Freedom of Religion or Belief

10:00 - 11:00 | Discussion Block 1: Effective Dialogue Between Regional Majority and Minority Religions

Moderated by Nicolás Panotto, Otros Cruces (Chile)

Civil Society Speakers:

- Representative of Alianza Evangélica Latina
- Claudio Epelman, Executive Director, Congreso Judío Latinoamericano (Argentina)
- Soraya Khan, President, InterClub of Trinidad and Tobago, (Trinidad and Tobago)
- Prof. Dr. Babalaô Ivanir Dos Santos, Strategic Advisor, Centro de Articulação de Populações Marginalizadas (Brazil)
- Karen Castillo, Director, Instituto Mexicano de Doctrina Social Cristiana (Mexico)

11:00 - 12:00 | Discussion Block 2: Intersectionality and Diverse Spiritualities in the Religious Freedom Arena

Moderated by Gina Romero, Red de Latinoamerica y del Caribe para la Democracia (Colombia)

Civil Society Speakers:

- Bhikkhu, Vasu Bandhu, Interfaith Manager, Arizona Faith Network (Mexico)
- Lia Burbano, Executive Director, Mujer & Mujer (Ecuador)
- Mercedes Say Chaclan, Authority, Consejo Nacional de Pueblos Indígenas en la Diaspora (Guatemala)
- Yimene Calderón, Executive Director, Organización de Desarrollo Étnico Comunitario (Honduras)

12:10 - 12:30 | Conclusions

- Luciana Vaccotti, Specialist, Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR)
- Monsignor Juan Antonio Cruz Serrano, Holy See Permanent Observer to the OAS
- H.E. Stuart Savage, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Canada to the OAS

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