

# western persecution?

Is the HRC equipped to  
protect refugees from the West?

**DATE:** 23 March 2015

**VENUE:** Room XXIV – Palais de Nations, Geneva, Switzerland

**TIME:** 3 – 5 pm

## **JULIAN ASSANGE**

Founder of WikiLeaks from his asylum at the Ecuadorian embassy in London (video link)

## **BALTASAR GARZON REAL**

Spanish judge

## **H.E. MARIA FERNANDA ESPINOSA**

Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Ecuador to the UN in Geneva

## **ALFRED DE ZAYAS**

Independent Expert on the Promotion of a Democratic and Equitable International Order

## **EVA JOLY**

Member of the European Parliament (Greens) and former French judge

## **GLENN GREENWALD**

Journalist and founding member of The Intercept

Julian Assange, Edward Snowden, Chelsea Manning, Antoine Deltour, Herve Falciani... The increasing attacks on Western whistleblowers, journalists and publishers pose a serious threat to democracy and human rights. Who are the whistleblowers? Why are their revelations important? Do they deserve protection? What role should Human Rights mechanisms, regional bodies, states and NGO's play in this struggle?

## **UN HRC SIDE EVENT**

Organized by: the Mission of Ecuador to the UN and the International Association of Democratic Lawyers

Chaired by: Micól Savia (Permanent Representative of IADL at the UN Geneva)



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