



Exploring the economic and social dimensions of the right to life

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The Human Rights Committee's adoption of a new General Comment on Article 6 of the ICCPR - the right to life - expands the understanding of this 'supreme' right, and acknowledges its strong interdependence and indivisibility with economic and social rights.

The event will explore the economic and social dimensions of the right to life and how the concept of a 'life with dignity' has influenced legal developments at the regional, national, and international levels. Panelists will critically examine whether recent developments have the potential to advance economic and social rights, including by providing a stepping stone towards full access to justice for persons living in poverty.

Panelists

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Chair of the Human Rights Committee

Joanna Bourke Martignoni

Senior Research Fellow at the Geneva Academy

Rodrigo Uprimny

Professor Emeritus at the National University of Colombia

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Moderator

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- **Location:** Room XXIV, Palais des Nations
- **Date:** 6 March 2019
- **Time:** 13.30 - 15.00