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## Hybrid side event

# Facilitating implementation of obligations under the CAH Convention – Gaps and Opportunities

13:00-15:00, 22 October 2025

Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations  
2 United Nations Plaza, 28<sup>th</sup> floor, New York

The Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations and the International Commission of Jurists (ICJ) is pleased to invite you to a side event on facilitating the implementation of obligations under the future crimes against humanity convention (the CAH Convention), which will be [negotiated](#) over the following four years.

Building on the the work of the [Crimes Against Humanity Initiative](#) and the [International Law Commission](#), the ICJ's Global Accountability Initiative, in coordination with NGOs, academics and other experts, aims to support States to develop a robust Convention with tools to prevent and punish CAH. The side event aims to identify existing gaps for facilitating implementation of State obligations in the Draft Articles, explore options to fill them and understand State support for taking such options forward by submitting proposed amendments to the UN Secretary General in April 2026. In particular, the following questions will be discussed:

- What measures currently exist in the Draft Articles to facilitate implementation of the obligations to prevent and punish crimes against humanity?
- What are the options and opportunities for strengthening the Draft Articles to ensure full, effective and gender-competent implementation of the CAH Convention, including through implementing bodies? What tools would assist States to implement the Convention in the most effective way?
- What is realistic in the current political climate and in the context of the UN Secretary General's UN80 Initiative?
- How can civil society and States work together to ensure the participation of a broad range of stakeholders, including non-ECOSOC members

To facilitate discussion at the event, the International Commission of shares the attached paper on options for facilitating implementation of the Convention.

## AGENDA

- Welcome** Ana Paula Lavalle Arroyo, Third Secretary, Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations
- Panel discussion**
- Ian Seiderman, Senior Legal and Policy Director, International Commission of Jurists (moderator)
- Leila Sadat, James Carr Professor of International Criminal Law, Washington University; Chair, International Law Association (American Branch)
- Grant Shubin, Independent Legal Advisor
- Sebastiaan Verelst, Transitional Justice Advisor, Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights
- Akila Radhakrishnan, Independent gender expert; Legal Advisor at End Gender Apartheid Campaign
- Facilitated discussion** Kate Vigneswaran, Director of the Global Accountability Initiative, International Commission of Jurists

To join the event online, click on the following link:

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