



BAR HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

Dear members,

We hope to work with as many of you as possible and always welcome your feedback and ideas, so please do not hesitate to get in contact with the BHRC Project Coordinator, [Illari Aragon](#).

SCHEDULE OF BHRC FORTHCOMING EVENTS

| | Focus | Details of the event |
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| BHRC Mexico Rule of law report – 2011 Lawyers Delegation CPD points credited. | MEXICO | Wed, 7th November 6:00 – 7:30 pm House of Commons Please RSVP . |
| BHRC roundtable meeting with Dr. Salah Bin Ali Abdulrahman, Human Rights Minister of Bahrain | BAHRAIN | Fri, 9th November 2:00 pm Garden Court Chambers Please RSVP |
| Death Penalty Forum, An event by The Center for Capital Punishment Studies in association with BHRC. | UGANDA/ MALAWI | Fri, 30th November 6:00 pm. Doughty Street Chambers. Please RSVP |
| The next five years of the International Criminal Court. (organised by Innertemple, in association with BHRC) request details | The ICC | Wed, 28th November 6:00 pm. Parliament Chamber Please RSVP |
| BHRC – Unicef Child Rights Manuals launch event | NIGERIA | Wed, 19th December 6:00 pm. Doughty Street Chambers CDP points will be credited. |

October public meeting - **COLOMBIA**

On the 10th October, the BHRC along with the Law Society and PBI convened a Round-table meeting on Colombia. Colombian lawyer Reinaldo Villalba, discussed with participants some of the challenges faced by human rights lawyers in Colombia and stressed the significance of maintaining international engagement in support of their practice. The current peace negotiation process in Colombia and the implications of a potential amnesty agreement, was also part of the discussion. A Colombian working group is being created. To join, please contact BHRC Project Coordinator.



Colombian lawyer Reinaldo Villalba with round-table panel.

BHRC NEXT DELEGATION

UNICEF-BHRC partnership 'Case management, monitoring and documentation of child rights protection' NIGERIA.

The BHRC continues to implement project activities in the framework of the BHRC-UNICEF partnership to enhance the capacity of Child Protection Networks (CPNs) in Nigeria. This project not only comprises the roll out of 5 training phases across the country, but also the development of three comprehensive **Training Manuals** and practical **video demonstrations**. The next BHRC training delegation is heading to the South of Nigeria on the 16th November.

BHRC TRIAL OBSERVATION

BHRC member to conduct a trial observation of ex-President Mr. Mohammed Nasheed - MALDIVES.

In October, the BHRC carried out a fundraising and film screening event in support of the BHRC trial observation of Mr. Mohammed Nasheed, ex-president of The Maldives. The screening was followed by a Q&A session with a panel that included the former Deputy Prosecutor for the Maldives, Hussain Shameem. Panelists were able to comment about the challenging environment of the judicial system in the Maldives and in this context, reflect upon the prospect of a fair trial for Mr. Nasheed. He was ousted from his presidency in February 2012, and is soon to appear in court to answer charges that he overstepped his powers while president. BHRC member and barrister at Doughty Street Chambers, Stephen Cragg, will conduct the observation on behalf of the BHRC.

BHRC MEMBERS AT INTERNATIONAL EVENTS - Blasphemy law

From 16th-19th September 2012 the United Nations Human Rights Council in conjunction with the World Council of Churches held an international hearing on the misuse of the blasphemy law in Pakistan. Zimran Samuel, BHRC member, attended the session on behalf of the BHRC. You can access Zimran's report on this international hearing [here](#).

Thanks!