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On the occasion of the 70th session of the International Law Commission

The Permanent Missions of Honduras, Saint Lucia, Fiji and Ghana
to the United Nations

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Kindly invite you to
a Panel Discussion on

Enhancing the Contribution of Small and Developing States
to the Work of the ILC

Thursday 17th May 2018
13:15 - 14:30
Conference Room A

PANELISTS:

Professor Charles Jalloh, *Florida International University College of Law,
Member of the International Law Commission*

Professor Georg Nolte, *Humboldt University, Member of the International Law
Commission*

Dr. Nilufer Oral, *Istanbul Bilgi University; Member of the International Law
Commission*

Professor Dire Tladi, *Pretoria University; Member of the International Law
Commission; former Legal Advisor to the South Africa Department of
International Relations*

Moderator:

Daniel Stewart, *Independent International Legal Advocates (IILA)*

CONCEPT NOTE

Over its seventy years of existence, the International Law Commission (ILC) has played an invaluable role in the life of international law. Given this historical and continuing importance, the engagement of small and developing States with the work of the ILC is vital for the Commission, for these States, and for international law itself.

The roundtable discussion will examine the historical role played by small and developing States with the ILC's work – as well as the role played by ILC Members from these States. The roundtable will explore the importance for small and developing States of their enhanced engagement with the ILC, including through discussing past, present and future topics of the Commission. The panelists will explore the life cycle of ILC items and the different impacts that inputs at each stage of this cycle can have upon the Commission's work. The panel will dissect some of the obstacles that small and developing States face in their contributions to shaping and examining the work of the ILC, and explore potential ways and means to enhance contributions. This last topic will lead into an interactive dialogue with the audience.