





Dear Madam/Sir

Lawyers' Committee for Human Rights - YUCOM, with the support of the Royal Norwegian Embassy and the Embassy of Finland, kindly invites you to the conference "Human Rights in 2015 – YUCOM's Views on Serbia's Response" which will be held on Friday, 11 of March 2016, starting at 11 am, at the Media Center Belgrade, Terazije 3, hall on the first floor.

YUCOM's engagement on improvement and protection of human rights in Serbia within it's 18<sup>th</sup> year of work, will be presented by the diplomats, representatives of international organizations, government and independent bodies, non-governmental organizations and the media.

The seriousness of the threats towards the exercising of citizens' rights in Serbia will be presented through the perspective of the filed requests for free legal aid and advices in 2015. The work of state bodies and the judiciary will be analyzed through selected cases where YUCOM's legal team represented the victims of human rights violations.

The willingness of the country to respect human rights will be assessed through the perception of the given answers to the challenges of the refugee crisis. Additionally this will be measured through the proclaimed priorities during the OSCE Chairmenship of Serbia and the evaluation of the activities towards specific law adoption. "YUCOM 2015 – Annual Work Report", which will be presented at the conference, brings wider elaboration of the answers to the aforementioned challenges, and show every other activity of this organization in the past year.

Simultanious translation on English will be provided at the coference.

Please confirm your participation at <u>office@yucom.org.rs</u>. For further information please contact us on +381 11/33-44-235.

In Belgrade, March 7, 2016

Sincerely,

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# AGENDA

# The conference "Human Rights in 2015 – YUCOM's Views on Serbia's Response"

Media Center in Belgrade, Friday, March 11, 2016, 11 am hall on the first floor, Terazije 3, Belgrade,

### 11.00 - 11.30 Opening Remarks and YUCOM's Work on Improving Human Rights Protection in 2015

- Milan Antonijevic, Director of YUCOM
- Pertti Ikonen, H.E. Ambassador of Finland
- *Mari Timenes Nordmo*, Second Secretary of the Embassy of the Kingdom of Norway
- Sasa Jankovic, Ombudsman of the Republic of Serbia
- **Nevena Ruzic**, Assistant to the Secretary General of the Office of the Commissioner for Information of Public Importance and Personal Data Protection
- *Romana Schweiger*, Head of Rule of Law and Human Rights Department, OSCE Mission to Serbia

Moderator: Milan Antonijevic

#### 11.30 - 12.00 Global Refugee Crisis - Serbia as a transit country

- Ana Jankovic Jovanovic, YUCOM's Lawyer
- Momcilo Zivadinovic, YUCOM's Project Menager
- Pavle Kilibarda, Belgrade Centre for Human Rights's Researcher

Moderator: Momcilo Zivadinovic

12.00 - 12.15 Coffee break







## 12.15 – 12.45 Legal Aid - Selected Cases of Legal Representation and Initiatives

- Natalija Solic, YUCOM's Attorney at Law
- Kristina Todorovic, YUCOM's Attorney at Law
- Milena Vasic, YUCOM's Lawyer

Moderator: Antonela Riha

### 12.45 – 13.15 Freedom of assembly in the Republic of Serbia in 2015 - experience and solutions

- Katarina Golubovic, YUCOM's Attorney at Law
- Petar Zmak, Civic Initiatives
- Anita Mitic, Youth Initiative for Human Rights

Moderator: Katarina Golubovic, YUCOM's attorney at law

#### 13.15 - 13.45 Discussion

13.45 Cocktail