

## **INVITATION LETTER**

5 years: Analysis of the work of the Protector of Citizens of the Republic of Serbia in the period 2015 – 2019

Date: Friday, November 29, 2019, 11 AM

Venue: Aero Club premises, 4, Uzun Mirkova Street

Lawyers' Committee for Human Rights – YUCOM is pleased to invite you to the presentation of the study "5 years: Analysis of the work of the Protector of Citizens of the Republic of Serbia in the period 2015 – 2019". The analysis of the work was conducted as a comprehensive study to assess, for the first time, the capacity of this institution to ensure the protection and promotion of human rights, as well as the application of international human rights standards in Serbia.

The Protector of Citizens of the Republic of Serbia enjoys the highest status as an independent human rights institution in the United Nations system, which enables this institution to significantly affect the assessment and promotion of the human rights situation. The analysis of the work of the Protector of Citizens of the Republic of Serbia was conducted as an independent assessment based on few months research and compiling information from public authorities through interviews and focus groups with representatives of relevant international organizations, independent institutions, state bodies, non-governmental organizations, journalist associations and media content analysis in the last five years, which has been supported by the United Nations Human Rights Team in Serbia.

Lawyers' Committee for Human Rights has, with its main findings, briefed the Sub-Committee on Accreditation of the Global Alliance of NHRIs (GANHRI) who will, at the beginning of 2020, consider the merits of the top-level status extension that the Ombudsman enjoys in the United Nations system and provide recommendations for status advancement.

The analysis will be presented by the authors of the publication: Dr Katarina Golubovic, prof. Dr Vesna Petrovic, Milan Filipovic and Vladica Ilic from 11AM to 12 PM and followed by the moderated discussion.

The working language of the conference will be Serbian and simultaneous interpretation in English is provided. Should you accept our invitation, we kindly ask you to send us confirmation of your attendance or attendance of representatives of your organization/institution not later than **Thursday**, **November 28** until the end of working time at <a href="mailto:office@yucom.org.rs">office@yucom.org.rs</a> or confirm via phone 011 33 44 235.

Looking forward to your acceptance and to welcome you at the venue of this event.