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Advancing Human Rights in the Americas: New and Emerging Developments Before the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights

Time: 4:30pm

Location: Silverman 245A, Bernard Segal Moot Court Room

The Inter-American Commission on Human Rights is responsible for monitoring and ensuring implementation of human rights guarantees in the 35 independent countries of the Americas that are members of the Organization of American States.

The Commission is at the forefront of important issues facing the region, including the treatment of migrants fleeing violence and humanitarian crises, the application of death penalty, the rights of LGBTI persons, the government's duty to protect in cases of domestic violence and other rights violations, and has recently established an Economic, Social and Cultural Rights Unit, addressing issues such as the right to water.

TRACY ROBINSON, BOK VISITING PROFESSOR

Tracy Robinson is the former President and Commissioner of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights. She also served as the Commission's Rapporteur for the Rights of Women and became the IACHR's first Rapporteur for the Rights of LGBTI Persons. She has been involved in legal and policy reform initiatives aimed at furthering gender equality and children's rights in the Caribbean such as the Caribbean Child Support, Poverty and Family Responsibilities Project and Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) Family Law and Domestic Violence Project. Robinson is a current faculty member at the Faculty of Law, University of the West Indies in Jamaica and is a co-founder of the Faculty of Law UWI Rights Advocacy Project (U-RAP), which works to promote human rights and social justice in the Caribbean through strategic litigation and research.



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