Invitation

Accountability Efforts After 13 Years of Atrocities in Syria

The event is set to be held online on Thursday, May 16, 2024, from 16:00 to 18:00 CET (17:00-19:00 Syria time).

The Syrian Network for Human Rights (SNHR) and the European Centre for Constitutional and Human Rights (ECCHR) cordially invites you to the launch event of the joint report, 'The Accountability Efforts after 13 years of atrocities in Syria'

Since 2011, when the Syrians took the street to demand democracy and human rights, they have been exposed to all types of grave international crimes, primarily from the Assad regime, but later on also from other parties of the conflict. The blockage of the referral of Syria situation to the International Criminal Court (ICC) by Russian and Chinese veto in the UN Security Council, has led to accountability efforts focusing mainly on third states, who have, often under the principle of universal jurisdiction.

Some remarkable results concerning investigations and trials have been achieved in Germany, France, Sweden, the Netherlands and other countries. But many more crimes and perpetrators remain unaddressed.

The event will discuss:

- The report, which provides an overview of the state of the art of accountability efforts, the ongoing investigations and trials relating to Syria.
- The role of international mechanisms, such as the IIIM, as well as NGOs and other actors as justice-facilitators, the ongoing criminal investigations, prosecutions, proceedings and trials.
- The gaps in the accountability efforts, which the report is portraying, such as prosecuting conflict related sexual violence (CRSV), corporate accountability and other actors that have not yet been held to account. Brief outlook on potential future developments.

Speakers:

Michelle Jarvis

Deputy Head of the IIIM

Linnea Arvidsson

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Patrick Kroker

International Crimes and Accountability Program, ECCHR

Helena Krüger

Legal Advisor at the ECCHR

Fadel Abdulghany

Executive Director of SNHR

Moderator:

Rula Asad

Co-founder of the Syrian Female Journalists Network

To attend the event via Zoom, please fill out the form.

The event will be conducted in English, with Arabic interpretation available.

You can also watch the event live on SNHR's social media channels:







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