

International Webinar on

The United Nations Resolution

« The role of ombudsman and mediator institutions in the promotion and protection of human rights, good governance and the rule of law »
and Council of Europe standards

April 7th, 2021 from 3:00pm to 5:15pm (GMT+1)

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● Opening session :

- **Mr. Mohammed Benalilou**, Mediator of the Kingdom of Morocco and President of the “Association of Ombudsmen and Mediators of the French speaking countries” (AOMF);
- **Mr. Gianni Buquicchio**, President of the Venice Commission;
- **Mr. Michael Ingledow**, Head of the Council of Europe Office in Morocco .

● Presentation of the meeting :

Ms. Catherine de Bruecker, former Federal Mediator of Belgium.

● Speakers

● First speech:

The United Nations resolution on the role of Ombudsmen and Mediators: Historical context and novelties.

Mr. Mohammed Benalilou, Mediator of the Kingdom of Morocco and President of the “Association of Ombudsmen and Mediators of the French speaking countries”.

● Second speech:

The Venice Principles on the Protection and Promotion of the Mediator Institution.

Mr. Igli Totozani, former People's Advocate of Albania and expert of the Venice Commission.

● Third speech:

What are the ways and means for the implementation of the resolution?

Mr. Marc Bertrand, Mediator of Wallonia and Wallonia-Brussels Federation and second Vice-President of the AOMF.

● Fourth speech:

International Ombudsman Institute strategy for the reinforcement of the role of the mediation institutions within United Nations bodies.

Mr. Peter Tyndall, President of the International Ombudsman Institute and Ombudsman of Ireland.

● Fifth speech:

The Council of Europe standards

Ms. Simona Granata Menghini, Director, Secretary of the Venice Commission, former Deputy Ombudsman for Human Rights of Bosnia.

● Discussions

● Closing statements

- **Ms. Catherine De Bruecker**, former Federal Mediator of Belgium.

● Closing session

- **Mr. Mohammed Benalilou**, Mediator of the Kingdom of Morocco and President of the AOMF.