



26, 27 and 28
November 2020

INSTITUTO LATINOAMERICANO
DEL OMBUDSMAN-
DEFENSORÍAS DEL PUEBLO (ILO)

XI VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY AND SEMINAR “MIRABAL SISTERS”

“Human Rights within the context of exceptional situations.
Role of the HR Institutions”

OBJECTIVES

The annual Assembly is the activity foreseen in the ILO statutes for the purposes of reporting on activities, electing authorities and dealing with issues of interest to members. For more than a decade now, ILO has made its assembly coincide with a seminar with the objectives of: jointly analyzing issues related to human rights that are of interest to its members and that contribute to their specific tasks; generate an encounter space that enriches partners through the exchange of knowledge and information on the realities and specific responses of each country and region; promote the debate on human rights in general and the Ombudsman Institutions in particular, with a vocation to reach multiple actors in order to spread and promote the culture of defense and promotion of human rights among citizens in general, civil society, the academy, the public sector and the media.

This seminar in particular, given the fact that it is held virtually and in the context of a universal pandemic, includes also as part of its objectives: to reach as many partners as possible as well as other people / institutions active in the promotion of human rights, in order to consolidate the contributions of the various regions through their full integration into the regular operating mechanisms of ILO; to know the various responses to the pandemic in the different countries, put them in dialogue, and strengthen the institutional framework so as to support the Ombudsman Institutions to give the best responses to situations related to the emergency, including possible violations of human rights.

Taking into account that this meeting takes place in November, the ILO Board of Directors has decided to nominate it “Mirabal Sisters”, in honor and recognition of the Dominican sisters Patria, Minerva and María Teresa Mirabal who fervently opposed the dictatorship of Rafael Leónidas Trujillo. The three sisters were assassinated by the dictator's intelligence services on November 25, 1960, when they returned from visiting the husbands of two of them, who were being held in prison. The Mirabals are a symbol of the cause against gender violence. In homage to them, the UN established November 25 as the “International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women”.



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Seminar

Thursday 26.11

11.30 Hs.

Opening Session
Presentation of ILO and Welcome
Cristina Ayoub Riche, President of ILO, Brazil

12.00 Hs.

Presentation of the Seminar
and its Objectives.
Ana Agostino, Vice-president I ILO, Uruguay

12.20 Hs.

Main conference: Human Rights within
the context of the COVID 19 Pandemic.
Challenges for the Human Rights
Institutions.
Roberto Gargarella, Constitutional expert,
Argentina

13.00 Hs.

Exchange and Closure.
Moderator: Ana Agostino

15.30 Hs.

Welcome and Presentation
of speakers.
Mariana Giorgetti, COEPIO Foundation, Argentina

15.45 Hs.

Ombudsman Institutions and the
promotion of just, peaceful and
inclusive societies during the
pandemic.
Reinier van Zutphen - Ombudsman
of the Netherlands.

16.00 Hs.

Generational view of Human Rights
in the context of the pandemic
(childhood, adolescence and youth).
Nashieli Ramírez Hernández -
Presidenta da Comissão de Direitos Humanos
da Cidade do México

16.15 Hs.

Generational view of Human Rights
in the context of the pandemic
(adult life, elderly).
Leoncio Lara Sáenz, Vice-president II ILO and
President of the ILO Mexican Chapter, Mexico

16.30 Hs.

Women roles in the context of the
pandemic. A gender and Human
Rights perspective.
Maria Elena Lournaga, Ombudswoman of
Montevideo, Uruguay

16.45 Hs.

Social Protection and
Human Rights Policies.
Freddy Carrión Intriago, Ombudsman from
Ecuador and President of GANHRI

17.00 Hs.

Exchange and Closure
Moderator: Mariana Giorgetti



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Friday 27.11

11.30 Hs.

**Welcome and Presentation
of speakers.**

Claudia M. Melgar de Zambrana,
Delegate Lawyer at the University Ombudsman
Institution in El Salvador.

11.45 Hs.

**Role of the State / Guarantee of
Rights in exceptional situations..**

Chris Field, Ombudsman from Western Australia
and elected President of IOI

12.00 Hs.

**Protection of health and work in
the context of a pandemic.**

Alejandro Amor, Ombudsman of the Autonomous
City of Buenos Aires, Argentina, and President
of ADPRA.

12.15 Hs.

**Right to food and comprehensive
health.**

Alba Martijn - Vicepresident III ILO, Curacao

12.30 Hs.

**Pandemic, Human Rights and
situations of confinement.**

Wilder Tayler, President of the National Human
Rights and Ombudsman Institution from Uruguay

12.45 Hs.

**Human Rights and Diversity.
Challenges in the context of the
pandemic.**

Augusto Jordán Rodas Andrade, Ombudsman
of Guatemala and President of FIO.

13.00 Hs.

Exchange and Closure.

Moderator: Claudia M. Melgar de Zambrana

15.30 Hs.

**Welcome and Presentation
of Speakers..**

Leticia González, member of the Mexican
Chapter of ILO.

15.45 Hs.

Human Rights of migrant women.

Beatriz Campos, Deputy Ombudswoman of the
Ombudsman Institution in El Salvador, responsible
for the defense of the rights of the migrant persons.

16.00 Hs.

**The Human Right to Education
in the context of the pandemic.**

Julio Fernández Estrada, Lawyer and former professor
at the University of Havana, Cuba

16.15 Hs.

**The validity of Law in the context
of the COVID 19 Pandemic.**

Manoel Eduardo Alves Camargo e Gomes,
Professor at the Federal University of Parana
and President of the Brazilian Chapter of ILO, Brazil

16.30 Hs.

**The protection of the Ombudsman
in times of crisis.**

Keursly Concincion, Ombudsman of Curacao..

16.45 Hs.

**Indigenous peoples. Impacts and
resistance during the pandemic. .**

Luis Bork (Chile), President of the Chilean Chapter
of the Ombudsman

17.00 Hs.

Summary of the seminar and closure.

Carlos Constenla (Argentina),
President Emeritus of ILO.



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Assembly

Saturday 28.11

11.30 Hs.

Welcome, general vision and
presentation of the objectives.

Cristina Ayoub Riche, President of ILO.

11.40 Hs.

Report of activities implemented
in the last year (2019-2020).

Technical Secretariat of ILO,
Gabriela Moffson, Argentina

12.00 Hs.

International report.

Raúl Lamberto, Ombudsman from
the Province of Santa Fe, Argentina

12.20 Hs.

Possibility for an Ombudsman
Institution in a new Constitution
in Chile.

Progress report on the constitution
of the Ombudsman Institution
for the Elderly.

Juan Domingo Milos, Chile

12.30 Hs.

Proposal for the incorporation of
two new members in the Honorary
Advisory Board and reform of the
statutes.

Carlos Constenla, President Emeritus ILO.

12.40 Hs.

Presentation of the ILO Strategic Plan.

Ismael Rins, Secretary General of ILO

13.00 Hs.

Final Declaration and closure.

Carlos Constenla, President Emeritus ILO.