

Invitation to a dialogue on

National and Regional Institutions for the  
Protection of Human Rights:  
Challenges for Bangladesh

**South Asian Institute of Advanced  
Legal and Human Rights Studies (SAILS)  
&  
Embassy of France in Bangladesh**

## Programme

- 9.30 – 10.00 Coffee and registration
- 10.00 – 10.05 Opening and welcome by Dr. Sharif Bhuiyan, Director of SAILS
- 10.05 – 10.10 Address by H.E. Charley Causeret, Ambassador of France
- 10.15 – 10.20 Introduction by the Chair, Dr. Shamsul Bari, UN Special Rapporteur for Somalia, Member, Governing Board, SAILS
- 10.20 – 10.35 Dr. Abdullah Al Faruque, Associate Professor, Chittagong University  
*The National Human Rights Commission Ordinance 2007*
- 10.35 – 10.50 Ms. Noémie Bienvenu, Legal Advisor to the National Consultative Commission on Human Rights, France  
*The French National Consultative Commission on Human Rights: Its Past, Present and Future*
- 10.50 – 11.00 Dr. Shirin Sharmin Chowdhury, Advocate, Supreme Court of Bangladesh  
Discussant *Remedies for the Protection of Human Rights before the Court and Commission*
- 11.00 – 11.10 Ms. Sultana Kamal, Executive Director, Ain o Salish Kendra and former Adviser to the Care-taker Government  
Discussant *Expectations of the human rights organizations from the Human Rights Commission*
- 11.10 – 11.25 Plenary discussion
- 11.25 – 11.40 Tea Break
- 11.40 – 11.55 Dr. Katarzyna Grabarczyk  
Senior Lecturer, University of Montpellier I, France  
*The European Convention on Human Rights as an instrument for regional integration*
- 11.55 – 12.05 Dr. Faustina Pereira, Advocate, Supreme Court of Bangladesh  
Discussant *Need and Scope for a South Asian Charter for Human Rights*
- 12.05 – 12.15 Dr. Imtiaz Ahmed, Professor, Dept. of Intl. Relations, Dhaka University  
Discussant *Revisiting Human Rights when it all began: Descartes Today*
- 12.15 – 12.30 Plenary discussion
- 12.30 – 12.35 Conclusion by the Chair, Dr. Shamsul Bari
- 12.35 – 12.50 **Address by the Chief Guest, Mr. Justice Amirul Kabir Chowdhury  
Chairman of the National Human Rights Commission, Bangladesh**
- 12.50 – 01.00 Concluding address, Dr. Kamal Hossain, Chairperson of SAILS

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at the  
La Vita Banquet Hall  
Lake Shore Hotel  
Road 41, House 46, Gulshan 2  
Dhaka

on  
Saturday, 6 December 2008  
9:30 am – 1:00 pm

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