



The Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in collaboration with the UNDG-Human Rights Mainstreaming Mechanism; UNEP, the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica, Germany, Liechtenstein, Norway and the Maldives, with the Center for International Environmental Law (CIEL), the Council of Canadians and IBON International invite you to a side event on:

Rights at Rio+20: Panel discussion on a rights-based Framework for Sustainable Development

Friday 27 April 2012 from 1.15 to 2.45 PM
Conference Room 6 of the North Law Building

As negotiations on the Rio+20 Conference outcome enter a critical phase, this side event will discuss the links between human rights and the environment in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication. Specifically it will address the urgent need to strengthen international commitment and joint action in favour of sustainable development and its institutional framework at all levels, and to do so in a manner that fully respects—rather than undercuts—human rights.

The panel will be moderated by **H.E. Ambassador Eduardo Ulibarri**, Permanent Representative of Costa Rica with a special video message by the Special Rapporteur on the human right to safe drinking water and sanitation, Ms **Catarina de Albuquerque**. Speakers include:

- **OHCHR – Craig Mokhiber**, Chief, Development and Economic and Social Issues Branch
- **UNEP - Steven Stone**, Chief, Economics and Trade Branch
- **UNICEF – Richard Morgan**, Director of Policy and Planning
- **Mission of Germany – Ralf Schröder**, Human Rights Counsellor
- **The IBON Foundation – Tetet Lauron** (Peoples Movement on Climate Change)
- **The Center for International Environmental Law (CIEL) – Alyssa Johl**, Coordinator of the NGO Working Group on Climate Change and human rights to discuss human rights and sustainability.