

Symposium on the Protection of Religious Minorities Worldwide

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UN ECOSOC Chamber • November 13, 2014 • 3:00 PM – 5:30 PM

Program

03:00 pm **Welcoming Remarks**

H.E. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, High Representative for the UN Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC)

H.E. Archbishop Bernadito Auza, Apostolic Nuncio, Observer Mission of the Holy See to the UN

Mr. Josef Klee, Pax Romana

3:30pm **Panel Discussion**

Freedom of religion and protection of minorities as an inherent human right: The role of the international community, national governments and religious leaders in preserving those rights and curbing hate speech.

Moderator: Francis Dubois, Former UN Representative in Iraq

Speakers:

- **Rabbi Roger Ross**, Executive Director, Rabbinical Seminary of America, Chair International Seminary for Interfaith Studies
- **Dr. Jemilah Mahmoud**, Director World Humanitarian Summit, OCHA
- **Ms. Nina Shea**, Human Rights Lawyer and Director of Center on Religious Freedom, Hudson Institute
- **Professor Elizabeth F. DeFeis**, Dean Emeritus and Professor of Law, Seton Hall Law School, New Jersey

5:00 pm **Q&A**

6:00 pm **Reception at the UN Church Center** 777 1st Avenue, E 44th St, NY, NY 10017