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# INVITATION

# DIGITAL ASSEMBLIES: PUSHING THE CIVIC SPACE FRONTIER

The intersection of new and emerging technologies with the exercise of the right to peaceful assembly has been widely acknowledged by global and regional human rights standards. However, with new digital opportunities also come new challenges.

Join ECNL's webinar with activists as well as UN representatives to discuss ways to strengthen the right to peaceful assembly in the digital space. This event is co-organised with the UN Special Rapporteur on the Rights to Freedom of Peaceful Assembly and of Association.

## AGENDA

### 1.00 pm: Making a difference: conversations with activists

Prof. Azadeh Akbari, author of the report "Iran: Digital Spaces of Protest and Control" interviews:

- Francisco Javier Vera Manzanares, Colombian climate activist;
- Patrick Allam from Spaces for Change, Nigeria about the #ENDSARS protests; and
- Elaheh Kouhestani of Berlin's Woman, Life, Freedom Collective.

### 2.00 pm: The role of the UN and Regional Human Rights Mechanisms

Join Clément Voule (UN Special Rapporteur), Commissioner Joel Hernández García (Inter-American Commission on Human Rights), Stefano Montanari (on behalf of Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights) and Hon. Rémy Ngoy Lumbu (African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights) to discuss how to strengthen and defend assembly/association in the digital space.

### 3.30 pm: The role of civil society in monitoring freedom of peaceful assembly in a digital world: how can we do it better?

For those who are interested to learn more about how civil society can contribute to monitoring and protecting digital assemblies, we invite you to an additional session with presentations of the results of monitoring digital assemblies in various countries and an open discussion how we can further improve this process.

We hope to see you on 28 February!

## WEBINAR DETAILS

Date:

28 February 2023

Time:

1.00 pm CET

Registration link:

[bit.ly/digital-assemblies](https://bit.ly/digital-assemblies)



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