



International Fair Trial Day

**International Fair Trial Day Conference  
and the Ebru Timtik Award Ceremony**

**14 June 2024, 10:00 – 17:30 PHT**

**Malcolm Theater, Malcolm Hall**

**University of the Philippines**

**Diliman, Quezon City, Metro Manila, Philippines**

**In-person & online event**

**Registration: [HERE](#)**

## AGENDA

10:00 - 10:45

**Moderator:** Tony Fisher, The Law Society of England and Wales

**Opening remarks**

- Antonio C. Pido, National President, Integrated Bar of the Philippines
- Edre Olalia, Chairperson of the National Union of Peoples' Lawyers
- Darlene Marie B. Berberabe, Dean of the College of Law, University of the Philippines

**Keynote speech**

- George Katrougalos, UN Independent Expert on Promotion of a democratic and equitable international order

10:45 - 11:45	<p><b>Session 1: Independence and protection of judges and lawyers</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Eleonora Scala, Programme Lawyer, International Bar Association's Human Rights Institute (IBAHRI)</p> <p><b>Speakers (4):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Attorney Theodore Te, Program Director, Clinical Legal Education Program (CLEP) and Assistant Professor, University of the Philippines College of Law</li> <li>- Judge Gerely C. Rico-Cruz, Presiding Judge, Pangasanan, Municipal Circuit Trial Court (MCTC) Branch 4, San Fabian-San Jacinto and Member, Hukom, Inc.</li> <li>- Ephraim Cortez, National Union of People's Lawyers</li> <li>- Hans Gaasbeek, Day of the Endangered Lawyer Foundation</li> </ul>
11.45 - 12.00	<b>Coffee Break</b>
12:00 -13:00	<p><b>Session 2: Targeting lawyers, journalists, activists, CSOs and other HRDs in the context of counter-terrorism, anti-drug and related policies</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Gonzalo Sáenz Quilez, The International Observatory for Lawyers in Danger (OIAD)</p> <p><b>Keynote speech:</b> Ben Saul, UN Special Rapporteur on counter-terrorism and human rights (online)</p> <p><b>Speakers (3):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cristina Palabay, Secretary General, Karapatan and Regional Council member, Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development</li> <li>- Carlos H Conde, Senior researcher for the Philippines, Human Rights Watch</li> </ul>
13:00 -14:00	<b>Lunch break</b>

14:00 - 15:00	<p><b>Session 3: Arbitrary detention, torture and ill-treatment, enforced disappearances and extrajudicial killings</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Magda El Haitem, International Association of Lawyers Institute for the Rule of Law (UIA-IROL)</p> <p><b>Speakers (3):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jhonila Castro and Jed Tamano, Environmental activists</li> <li>- Aileen Bacalso, Executive Director, Forum Asia</li> <li>- Edita Burgos, Human Rights Activist</li> </ul>
15:00 - 15:15	<p><b>Coffee Break</b></p>
15:15 - 16:15	<p><b>Session 4: Tackling impunity: accountability and remedies</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Triona.Lenihan, The Law Society of England and Wales</p> <p><b>Speakers (3):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Leila de Lima, Former Secretary, Department of Justice of the Philippines</li> <li>- Signe Poulsen, Senior Human Rights Adviser, United Nations Human Rights in the Philippines</li> <li>- Neri Colmenares, Chairman, Bayan Muna Partylist; Council member, International Bar Association Human Rights Institute (IBAHRI)</li> </ul>
16:15 - 17:30	<p><b>Ebru Timtik Award Ceremony</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Şerife Ceren Uysal, European Association of Lawyers for Democracy &amp; World Human Rights (ELDH) &amp; European Democratic Lawyers (AED), Lawyers for Lawyers (L4L)</p> <p><b>Keynote:</b> Herman Veerbeek, attorney in the Netherlands, Free Press Unlimited.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Etienne Lesage, Vice Chairman, Defense Sans Frontieres - Avocats Solidaires (DSF-AS)</li> <li>- Pacifico A. Agabin, professor of constitutional law and chairman of the Constitutional Law Department of the Philippine Judicial Academy, Ebru Timtik Award Selection Committee member</li> <li>- Stefanie Wuschitz, Artist of the 2024 Ebru Timtik Award Artwork</li> <li>- Message from Ebru Timtik's colleague</li> <li>- Awardee(s) (TBC)</li> </ul>

17:30

**Closing**

- Sara Chandler, The European Bar Federation