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CONFRONTING THE PRIVATIZATION OF WAR AND SECURITY

Challenges, Impacts and Strategies to Ensure Human Security Considering the Increasing Role of Private Military & Security Companies in Armed Conflicts, Occupation and Homeland Security Contexts

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Date/time:
November 22nd 2018
10:00 – 11.30 Session I: The Phenomenon of Privatization of War and Security - State of the Art, Challenges and Limitations.

Venue:
Barcelona, Spain

Intended Audience
We address these sessions to international civil society organizations and their respective networks, working groups and task forces focused on business and human rights; national and international members of academia; think tanks and practitioners dealing on issues in security, peace and conflict; as well as students and the general public interested in the process of privatization of war and security, armed conflicts, and protection of human rights worldwide.

1. To analyze, identify and discuss challenges, limitations, influence and impact of growing role of Private Military and Security Companies (PMSCs) in conflict and homeland security settings.
2. To build a new narrative on public security based on the exercise of fundamental rights and freedoms through the collaboration of academia, human rights organizations, law enforcement and military actors in confidence.

Opportunity for a new narrative on public security

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch

11.30 – 12.00 Coffee Break

12.00 – 14.00 Session II: Presence and Impact of Private Military and Security Actors in Conflict and Occupation Zones in the Mediterranean region.

15.00 – 16.30 Session III: The Increasing Role of Private Military and Security Companies in Homeland Security Contexts.

18.15 – 18.30 Conclusions

Location:
Hotel Madero, Barcelona, Spain

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