



Promoting the rights
and interests of victims
before the International
Criminal Court

ASP 14 Side-Event

From Admission to Reparation: Heeding the Voices of Victims

Hosted by the Victims' Rights Working Group, Finland and Chile

Saturday, 21 November 2015

1:15 – 3pm Antarctica Room, World Forum

For the first time in the history of international criminal justice, the Rome Statute allows the voices of victims to be heard. Through the Rome Statute, the International Criminal Court (ICC) is unique in providing preventative, retributive, and reparative justice. Not only does the ICC bring offenders to justice, it also aims to help the victims rebuild their lives. The victims-related provisions in the Rome Statute demonstrate that the international community recognizes the importance of victims and reparations in international law. We invite you to join a panel discussion that will present views from Uganda, Côte d'Ivoire, and the DRC reflecting on the implementation of victims' rights before the ICC.

Chair: Minister Elisabeth Rehn, former Trust Fund for Victims Board of Directors Chair, and Former UN Under-Secretary-General, Special Representative of the Secretary-General in Bosnia-Herzegovina

Panel: Jane Anywar Adong, *International Justice Program in Uganda, Avocats Sans Frontières*, Uganda
Fidel Nsita Luvengika, *Legal Representative of Victims in the Katanga Case*, DRC
Tamar Avaliani, *Human Rights Center*, Georgia
Betty Abade-Okero, *CSO Network*, Kenya
Tatiana Viviane, *Femme Homme Action Plus*, CAR

Comments: Dr. Yael Danieli PhD, Clinical Psychologist & Trauma Specialist, International Organization for Victim Assistance

Followed by an Interactive Discussion (Both English and French)

A light lunch will be provided. For enquiries contact: Gaelle Carayon at gaelle@redress.org

The Victims' Rights Working Group (VRWG) is a network of over 300 national and international civil society groups and experts created in 1997 under the auspices of the Coalition for the International Criminal Court and facilitated by the REDRESS Trust. The VRWG works to ensure that victims' rights are effectively protected and respected, and that their needs and concerns are met throughout the ICC's judicial process.