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## Strengthening death penalty standards

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**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

**12.00-14.00**

**Room VII, Building A**

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- How effective are current international standards on the death penalty at protecting the human rights of all those involved?
- How can existing standards be better implemented?
- What are the gaps in existing standards?
- How could state practice change in the light of recent developments in international and regional policy and jurisprudence on the death penalty?

These issues and more will be discussed. Copies of a new publication by Penal Reform International on this topic will be available free.

### Speakers

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**Alexandre Fasel, Permanent Representative of Switzerland** – introduction and moderation

**Jorge Lomónaco, Permanent Representative of Mexico** – nationals facing the death penalty in foreign countries

**Juan Mendez, Special Rapporteur on torture** – most serious offences, emerging norm of death penalty as torture

**Oliver Robertson, Penal Reform International** – new ideas on strengthening death penalty standards and publication launch

**Laurel Townhead, Quaker United Nations Office** – impact of death penalty on children of parents sentenced to death

*Sandwiches will be provided.*

