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International Organizations and the “Rule of Law”

EVENT: “Do International Organizations Really Advance the ‘Rule of Law’?” — a dialogue with Prof. José Enrique Alvarez (Professor of International Law, New York University School of Law) and UNU Rector Dr. David Malone

DATE + TIME: 10 September 2013, 18:30–19:30

VENUE: 2F Reception Hall, United Nations University Headquarters, Tokyo

You are cordially invited to attend a dialogue with Prof. José Enrique Alvarez of the New York University School of Law and UNU Rector Dr. David Malone, on the question: “Do International Organizations Really Advance the ‘Rule of Law’?” This event will begin at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, 10 September 2013, at UNU Headquarters in Tokyo.

The United Nations and other international organizations are widely seen as instruments to promote the “rule of law”.

But is advancing the rule of law at the national level (as through ambitious peacekeeping efforts) comparable to advancing it globally, among and within international organizations? And to the extent that the rule of law presumes adherence to the law, as well as accountability and consistency, do international organizations like the United Nations really adhere to the rule of law? These are among the issues that will be addressed during the dialogue.

This event will be in English only (Japanese interpretation will not be provided).

To reserve your seat at this event, please register using the link on the event announcement page of the UNU website (<http://unu.edu/events/upcoming/international-organizations-and-rule-of-law.html>) or contact Aska Maki, UNU Office of Communications (media@unu.edu; 03-5467-1212).

About Prof. Alvarez

Prof. José Enrique Alvarez is the Herbert and Rose Rubin Professor of International Law at New York University School of Law. Prior to joining NYU, he was the Hamilton Fish Professor of International Law and Diplomacy and executive director of the Center on Global Legal Problems at Columbia Law School, a professor of law at the University of Michigan Law School, an associate professor at the George Washington University National Law Center, and an adjunct professor at Georgetown Law Center. He previously was an attorney adviser with the Office of the Legal Adviser, US Department of State.

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