ABOUT THIS SESSION

As a follow-up to the Human Rights Council Resolution 40/11 on the protection of the rights of persons engaged in the defense of the environment, adopted in 2019, the Geneva Road Map 40/11 seeks to ensure the effective implementation of the right to act for the protection of the environment and to promote free and safe spaces for information and discussion on environmental matters.

This event, co-organized by the University of Geneva and Earthjustice, within the framework of the Geneva Environment Network, in parallel to the 46th session of the Human Rights Council to draw what this Roadmap for the protection of environmental defenders should be in 2021 and at the same time to prepare taking stock in 2022 of their realization, their impact and of the so urgently needed reversal of the current worrying trend. Details at http://tiny.cc/GEN9Mar

AGENDA

OPENING
• H.E. Nazhat SHAMEEM KHAN, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Fiji to the United Nations in Geneva, President of the Human Rights Council
• Jannicke GRAATRUD, Deputy Permanent Representative, Norway
• David BOYD, UN Special Rapporteur on Human Rights and the Environment (video message)
• Angela KARIUKI, Programme Officer, Law Division, UNEP

REGIONAL STEPS IN 2021
Aarhus Convention: A Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) for Defenders?
ECLA Escazu Convention: What Will the Entry into Force Change in 2021 for Defenders?
Southeast Asia: Situation of Environmental Human Rights Defenders During the Pandemic

ENVIRONMENTAL INTERNATIONAL MILESTONES IN 2021
UN Environment Programme
IUCN World Conservation Congress | September 2021 - Marseille, France
UN Biodiversity Conference (CBD COP15) | 2021 – Kuming, China
UN Climate Change Conference (UNFCCC COP26) | November 2021 – Glasgow, UK

CONCLUSION
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