

On the margins of the Brussels VI Conference on Supporting the Future of Syria and the Region, the Association of Detainees and the Missing in Sednaya Prison, Caesar Families Association, Families for Freedom, the Coalition of Families of Persons Kidnapped by ISIS (MASSAR), Ta'afi Initiative, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), the UN Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, the International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism – Syria (IIIM), the UN Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances (WGEID), and Impunity Watch cordially invite you to a virtual side-event.

This event is sponsored by the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland.

Moving Forward on Truth and Justice: Addressing the crisis of missing persons and detention in Syria

Date: 6 May 2022

Time: 14.00 -15.30 (Brussels and CET)

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_3ZEU1F9zTGi23-WOG1XHYw

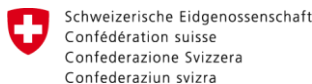
**Arabic/English interpretation will be provided.*

Speakers:

- Opening remarks by Michelle Bachelet, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights
- Diab Serriya, Co-Founder of the Association of Detainees and the Missing in Sednaya Prison
- Paulo Pinheiro, Chair of the UN Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic
- Hiba Swid, Project Coordinator, Ta'afi Initiative
- Catherine Marchi-Uhel, Head of the International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism - Syria (IIIM)
- Henrikas Mickevičius, Member of the UN Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances
- Closing remarks by a representative of the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland

Moderator: Habib Nassar, Director of Policy and Research, Impunity Watch

One year after the launch of the [Truth and Justice Charter - Syria](#) and ahead of the completion by mid-2022 of the study that UN General Assembly Resolution 76/228 has requested the Secretary-General to conduct on bolstering efforts to clarify the fate and whereabouts of missing people in Syria and to provide support to their families, participants in this side event will take stock of the efforts in this area leading up to the request for the study and discuss the next steps and what is needed to build upon this important work.



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