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The Right to Food Global and Local

a panel discussion with

CHRISTOPHE GOLAY

*Coordinator of the Project on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights,
Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights*

SMITA NARULA

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JOEL BERG

Executive Director, New York City Coalition Against Hunger

Followed by Audience Q&A and
Reception for NYC food activists

Tuesday, November 12, 2013

Program 5:30 PM

Reception 7:00 PM

*The Roosevelt House Public Policy Institute at Hunter College
47-49 East 65th Street (btwn Park and Madison Avenues)*

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Christophe Golay is the Coordinator of the Project on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights at the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, where he conducts his own research, and research for the Swiss Government, on the right to food and the work of the UN Special Procedures on economic, social and cultural rights (ESCR), and trains professionals in ESCR. From 2001 to 2008 he was legal adviser to Jean Ziegler, the first UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food. He has served on United Nations missions in many countries including Brazil, Guatemala, Bolivia, Cuba, Niger, Ethiopia, Bangladesh, India and the Occupied Palestinian Territories. His is co-author of *The Fight for the Right to Food: Lessons Learned* (2011), *The Impact of the UN Special Procedures on the Development and Implementation of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights* (2011), and *The Right to Food and the Right to Life* (2009).

Smita Narula is a Faculty Director of the Center for Human Rights and Global Justice and Associate Professor of Clinical Law at NYU School of Law. In 2008 Narula was appointed legal adviser to the U.N. Special Rapporteur on the right to food. She is author of *The Global Land Rush: Markets, Rights, and the Politics of Food* (Stanford Journal of International Law) which critically assesses market- and rights-based responses to the global phenomenon of agricultural “land grabbing,” and co-authored the IHRC report *Nourishing Change: Fulfilling the Right to Food in the United States*, which uses a human rights lens to address the crisis of food insecurity in the United States. Before joining NYU in 2003, Narula spent six years at Human Rights Watch, first as the organization’s India researcher and later as Senior Researcher for South Asia.



Kaitlin Y. Cordes is Senior Legal Researcher at the Vale Columbia Center on Sustainable International Investment, leading its work on land and agriculture. She is co-editor of *Accounting for Hunger: The Right to Food in the Era of Globalisation* (2011), and worked in the Africa Division of Human Right Watch, where she was author of the report *Ripe with Abuse: Human Rights Conditions in South Africa’s Fruit and Wine Industries* (2011). She served as an Advisor to the UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food, and worked with the Human Rights Institute at Columbia Law School.

Joel Berg is Executive Director of the New York City Coalition Against Hunger, a Senior Fellow at the Center for American Progress, and author of *All You Can Eat: How Hungry Is America?* The Coalition represents more than 1,100 nonprofit soup kitchens and food pantries in New York City and the nearly 1.5 million low-income New Yorkers who live in households that cannot afford enough food, and seeks innovative solutions to help society move “beyond the soup kitchen” to self-sufficiency. Berg served for eight years in the Clinton Administration in senior executive service positions at USDA, including two years as USDA Coordinator of Community Food Security, in which he created the first-ever federal initiative to better enable nonprofit groups to fight hunger, bolster food security, and help low-income Americans move out of poverty.

