The Danish Contact Forum for Freedom of Religion or Belief

Fourth Meeting

October 8th from 15:00-18:30 in the Danish Parliament’s Common Hall

Programme

15:00-15:05 Welcome by Special Representative, Ambassador Michael Suhr

15:05-15:45 Round table discussion with FoRB-experts:

- Marie Juul Pedersen – Danish Institute for Human Rights: FoRB & Gender Equality Project: Introduction and reflections so far
- Iyad AbuMoghli – UNEP: FoRB, Gender Equality and Climate Change
- Kamiar Alaei – Drexel University: FoRB, Gender Equality and Health

Q&A moderated by Filip Buff Pedersen (DMCDD)

15:45-15:55 The Danish Minister for Development Cooperation, Rasmus Prehn: The new Government’s approach to the FoRB strategy.

15:55-17:00 Round table discussion with FoRB-experts and UN Representative:

- Nazila Ghanea – Professor, Oxford University: Trends in the UN regarding handling FoRB
- Ibrahim Salama – General Director for UN Human Rights Treaties, OHCHR: The Faith for Rights Initiative
- Mariz Tadros – Professor, University of Sussex: FoRB and Conflict Prevention
- Elizabeth O’Casey – Humanists International: FoRB and Freedom of Expression - combating hate speech

Q&A moderated by Senior Researcher Marie Juul Pedersen (DIHR) and General Secretary Ed Brown (Stefanus Alliance)

17:00-17:30 Chairman of the Danish Network of Parliamentarians for Freedom of Religion or Belief, Daniel Toft Jacobsen (The Social Democratic Party): The future work of Parliamentarians promoting FoRB.

Former coordinator for International Panel of Parliamentarians for FoRB, Ed Brown: Experience from building a coalition among Parliamentarians worldwide

Q&A moderated by Filip Buff Pedersen (DMCDD)

17:30-18:30 Reception in Parliament: Networking among members and with expert group