

High-level meeting on the rule of law at the national and international levels

COSTA RICA Pledge registration form

Rule of Law and Human Rights

Costa Rica, jointly with other like-minded States on targeted sanctions, hereby pledges to submit by the end of this year and by 2014 to the UN Security Council suggestions on ways to strengthen the UN sanctions system by further improving fair and clear procedures, especially with regard to enhancing the scope and mandate of the Ombudsperson procedure.

Costa Rica, jointly with other like-minded States, hereby pledges to contribute to efforts made at the national, regional and international levels to promote truth, justice reparation and guarantees of non recurrence, and in particular to lend their support to the work of the Special Rapporteur created by the Human Rights Council to deal with these questions.

Rule of Law and fight against impunity

Costa Rica hereby pledges to take all the necessary steps to ratify the "Kampala Amendments to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court" by the end of 2014

Costa Rica hereby pledges to continue to support the universality and independence of the International Criminal Court by encouraging other States to access the Rome Statute and to cooperate with it, and by actively participating in the different New York groups that support the Court as well as in the Assembly of State Parties' meetings and working groups.

Costa Rica hereby pledges to appoint by the end of this year a national ICC focal point, a focal point at the Costa Rica Mission to the United Nations and a focal point at the Embassy of Costa Rica in the Netherlands.

Rule of Law and peaceful settlement of disputes

Costa Rica hereby pledges to continue to settle any international disputes by peaceful means, particularly by resolving its controversies, as appropriate, through the International Court of Justice and to continue to comply with all of its decisions.

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