## Human Rights Without Frontiers International The International Association for Religious Freedom The International Center for Law & Religion Studies

cordially invite you to a side event to be held

Monday 29 April 2013 - 1:00 to 3:00 pm

Palais des Nations, Room XXIV (The United Nations Office at Geneva)

## UNPRECEDENTED REPRESSION of RELIGIOUS MINORITIES and NGOs in RUSSIA

## MODERATOR

W. Cole Durham, Jr., Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies

## **PANELISTS**

**Alexander Verkhovsky**, Sova Human Rights Centre, Moscow: The Law on Extremism, the Law on "Foreign Agents," the Law on High Treason, and the New Law on Respect for Religion

**Sergey Ivanenko**, Moscow, Russian Expert in Religious Studies, author of "Ordinary Anti-Cultism": Anti-Cultism in Russia

**Patricia Duval**, Human Rights Attorney, Paris: Court Cases in Russia and European Court Decisions against Russia in These Matters

**Willy Fautré**, Director of HRWF International, Brussels: Religious Intolerance Fostered by the State and Anti-Sect Movements in Russia

Panelists will discuss the use of the Russian Extremism Law to restrict religious liberty. They will address the oppression of religious minorities and human rights NGOs based on various laws, as well as "anti-cultism" and religious intolerance fostered by the Russian State.

Refreshments & sandwiches will be served at 12:45 pm, prior to the event.

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