

## Third Committee 79th UNGA SIDE EVENT

# REPRISALS AND RESTRICTIONS ON CIVIL SOCIETY COOPERATION WITH THE UN

EXPERIENCES FROM CHINA, INDIA, BAHRAIN AND VIETNAM

**Wednesday 16 October**

**1:15 pm - 2:30pm EST**

**The Church Center, 2nd floor  
777 UN Plaza, New York**

**IN PERSON**

This event aims to raise awareness of how countries like China, India, Bahrain, and Vietnam retaliate against those cooperating with the UN and restrict civil society's engagement. It will provide a platform for human rights defenders to share their experiences and discuss recommendations to prevent reprisals, ensuring safe access to the UN.

### Speakers:

- [Rayhan Asat](#), Harvard Law Scholar & Uyghur Human Rights Lawyer
- [Sheridan Cole](#), Advocacy Officer, Middle East Democracy Center (MEDC)
- [Mona Bhan](#), Professor, Syracuse University
- [Anh-Thu Vo](#), Research & Advocacy Manager, PEN/Barbey Freedom To Write Center at PEN America

**Lunch served at 1pm.**

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