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Launch of the Translation and Update of the Guidance for Torture Prevention Mechanisms in Public Demonstrations

Date: Tuesday, May 13, 2025

Time: 2 to 3 PM - Argentina Time Zone (GMT-3)

Format: Virtual, via Zoom platform, with prior registration.

Registration Form: <https://forms.gle/N2NX7p5dBcF7sv3E8>

Simultaneous English/Spanish interpretation will be available.

Presentation of the Event

Following the publication in 2024 of the *Guidance for Local Torture Prevention Mechanisms in Public Demonstrations*, prepared by the National Committee for the Prevention of Torture¹, and its public presentation at an event featuring presentations by Gina Romero, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Rights to Freedom of Peaceful Assembly and of Association, Bárbara Bernath (then Secretary General of the APT), and Matthew McEvoy (member of the Omega Research Foundation), the Association for the Prevention of Torture has recognized the importance of maximizing the dissemination of the *guidance*. It serves as a tool for National Torture Prevention Mechanisms worldwide to monitor social protests, in a global context where excessive use of force and torture are recurring issues.

With this objective, in collaboration between the APT and the CNPT, the translation of the Guide into English, French, and Portuguese has been completed, adapting it for a global audience, and featuring a foreword by

¹ CNPT (2024) Guía de Actuación de Mecanismos Locales para la Prevención de la Tortura en Manifestaciones Públicas. Disponible en: <https://cnpt.gob.ar/guia-de-actuacion-para-los-mecanismos-de-prevencion-de-la-tortura-en-manifestaciones-publicas/>



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Special Rapporteur Gina Romero and Bárbara Bernath, who championed the translation initiative from the APT.

At the launch event for the translated and foreworded guide, organized jointly with the Association for the Prevention of Torture, participants will include APT Secretary General Nicole Hogg, Special Rapporteur Gina Romero, and Marco Feoli, Head of the Regional Team for the Americas of the United Nations Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture.

Additionally, the event will include a space for dialogue with the audience (national and local torture prevention mechanisms, non-governmental organizations, and other national and international actors committed to the prevention of torture) for questions to the speakers and the exchange of experiences.

PROGRAM

May 13, 2 PM (Argentine Time Zone, GMT-3)	
<u>Duration</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
10 minutes	Opening remarks by Dr. Juan Manuel Irrazábal, President of the CNPT. Brief presentation of the Guidance for Torture Prevention Mechanisms in Public Demonstrations, prepared by the CNPT.
10 minutes	Presentation by Nicole Hogg, Secretary General of APT.
10 minutes	Presentation by Gina Romero, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Rights to Freedom of Peaceful Assembly and of Association.
10 minutes	Presentation by Marco Feoli, Head of the Americas Team of the United Nations Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture.

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15 minutes	Q&A session with the audience.
5 minutes	Closing remarks by the CNPT.