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Book Discussion
"Philosophical Foundations of Human Rights"
(Third Edition)

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**9 AM-10:30 AM, Deutz Room in the Copley International
Conference Center, Institute of the Americas Complex, UCSD**

The concept of 'Human Rights' has broad acceptance across the globe today. Yet there is no universal acceptance of what constitute human rights. Two difficulties stand out. First, there is historical and cultural diversity in identifying human rights. Second, some of these rights compete with each other and the priority assigned to one over another also varies. "The Philosophical Foundations of Human Rights" is a book that invites the reader to reflect on what daily life presents him, and therefore helps one be more sensitive to the problems of the world and human rights. The book was conceptualized as a tool for teaching and reflection, inviting active reader participation and draws upon the author's experience in promoting justice, human rights and development in the public and private spheres, as well as his participation in national government, multilateral institutions, NGOs and academia.



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He worked at the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB); United Nations; Government of Guatemala where he was responsible for negotiating tables and was Executive Secretary of the "National Agreement for the Implementation of Social Expenditure for Poverty Reduction"; and the Jesuit University Rafael Landivar. He has consulted for the OAS, UNICEF, IIHR, GTZ, IDEA INTERNATIONAL, Human Rights Watch and Lawyers Committee for Human Rights.

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