Launch of CESR/OHCHR publication


“Shortfalls have occurred not because the goals are unreachable, or because time is too short. We are off course because of unmet commitments, inadequate resources and a lack of focus and accountability.” -- UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon

The process of reviewing and replacing the Millennium Development Goals in 2015 provides an unmissable opportunity to address the accountability gaps in the MDGs and to ensure that the new framework of development commitments does not result in a set of unfulfilled promises. People “demand a framework that holds governments and others to account for the implementation of their commitments in the post-2015 agenda” and “present human rights as a non-negotiable element to deliver this accountability.”

In response to this demand and to inform inter-governmental negotiations in the next few years, the Center for Economic and Social Rights and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights have the honour to present their new joint publication “Who Will Be Accountable? Human Rights and the Post-2015 Development Agenda”.

Wednesday, 22 May 2013
1:15 – 2:45pm, Conference Room 6, North Lawn Building, UN Headquarters, New York

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