Demonizing Dissidents
How INTERPOL is being abused by dictatorships

Join us to discuss how INTERPOL is starting to address this problem, and hear from people whose lives have been turned upside down by Red Notices, including:

**Lutfullo Shamsutdinov**
A human rights activist from Andijan, and witness of the Andijan massacre. He was forced to escape Uzbekistan after reporting on the massacre, and was later granted asylum status in the US. He has been hunted since 2005 by the Uzbek authorities, who convinced INTERPOL to issue a warrant to detain him.

**Benny Wenda**
Due to his work leading an international campaign for the rights of the West Papuan people, Benny was subjected to torture, death threats and a politically motivated prosecution by the Indonesian government. He escaped to Europe and was given asylum, only to be targeted through INTERPOL.

**Patricia Poleo**
An award-winning anti-corruption journalist and vocal critic of Hugo Chavez. Patricia has faced many threats in Venezuela because of her work. She found herself subject to an INTERPOL Red Notice after she had fled Venezuela to claim political asylum in the U.S.

**Sherif Mansour**
An Egyptian-American democracy and human rights activist, who was one of the 43 NGO workers charged in Egypt as part of a crackdown on independent civil society groups in the country. The INTERPOL alert that followed was described by the US government as “politically motivated”.

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