

## THE ROLE OF NGOs AT THE UPR

<u>UPR Stage:</u>	<u>Timescale:</u>	<u>What to do:</u>
<u>Before the Review</u>	Review (R) – 12 months	<p><b>Participate in national consultations</b> with the State under Review (SuR) for the drafting of the SuR National Report</p>
	R – 8 to 6 months	<p><b>Submit a report</b> (5 pages for an individual NGO and 10 pages for coalitions) on the SuR's human rights situation to be used by the Office of the High Commissioner for the summary of other stakeholders' information as part of the basis of the UPR</p>
	R – 3 to 2 months	<p><b>Lobby States</b> (missions in Geneva or embassies in the SuR) participating to the UPR to get your issues/ recommendations raised/made during the review</p>
<u>During the Review</u>	R	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Attend the review</b></li> <li>• Hold a <b>side event</b></li> <li>• Conduct <b>assessment meetings</b> on the review of the SuR</li> <li>• Hold a <b>press conference</b> or issue a <b>press release</b> to give your assessment of the review of the SuR</li> </ul>
<u>Human Rights Council Session</u>	R + 3 to 4 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Give an <b>oral statement</b> providing "general comments before the adoption of the outcome by the plenary" (20 minutes is allocated to NGOs, coalitions of NGOs are given priority)</li> <li>• Issue a <b>written statement</b></li> </ul>
<u>Between 2 Reviews</u>	R + 1 to 4 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Make</b> accepted recommendations and voluntary commitments <b>public</b></li> <li>• <b>Monitor their implementation</b></li> <li>• <b>Engage in dialogue</b> with the State reviewed to participate in their implementation</li> </ul>